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ST. CLAIR WHITE IN THE PUBLIC EYE

Noted Violinist Makes her Debut as an Orchestra Soloist at the New Monogram Theatre.

THE FORMATION OF A NEW BAR ASSOCIATION

Dr. J. Edmestone Barnes, of Liberia, Delivers an Address Before the Frederick Douglass Center on Tuesday Evening—All Ready for the Oratorical Contest at Bethel Church Next Sunday Afternoon—Editor Monroe Trotter Coming to Chi ago—Tom Brown Wants Dancing Girls—Dr. L. G. Jordan Visits City.

(By Cary B. Lewis.)

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CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 15.—(Special)—A great blessing has come to the new Monogram Theatregoers. Miss St. Claire White, one of the race's greatest violinists, is there now seated upon an elevated platform with the orchestra and is the star soloist. Miss White is the pretty and charming young girl who, two years ago, finished the Chicago Musical College. She possessed such extraordinary talent and natural ability that her playing on the violin won for her a silver medal, two gold medals and a diamond medal. Since her graduation she has appeared in concerts and vaudeville. Miss White's first appearance on the Southside was at the Danabegay four years ago under the direction of Mr. Frank P. George. Since that time she has won many honors here and abroad as a finished artist. The first of the week she made her appearance on the "stroll" at the new Monogram. Mr. Martin Klein has given her a contract for an indefinite stay at this theatre. There was zero weather Monday night but a large crowd was at the theatre and a good bill was on. Miss White held her audience spellbound and her playing of "Humoresque" by Devorak was the finest number ever heard and her "Wonderful Night" by Clarence Jones, was a "scream."

Miss St. Claire White.

The calcium light was thrown on Miss White and as she drew the bow as no other woman of her race, the music was thrilling and inspiring, sweet and ravishing and the audience almost went into ecstacies. She was an act herself. Miss White will be a revelation to this house. Mr. Klein and Mr. Miller have done a fine thing by securing the services of this brilliant young artist. She will do much toward refining and elevating the theatregoers at this house. Miss White renders selections that you can hear for ten cents that will cost fifty cents to $1.50 downtown and here you get movies and vaudeville at the same time. When Miss White was seen by a Freeman representative she said: "I have a contract with Mr. Klein and will play just as hard here to please the audience as if I was in concert. I love the work and the violin is my hobby. I love to be engaged pleasing people who appreciate good music. I was surprised to see so many people here who appreciated several of the very heavy numbers rendered." Her program for next week: 1. Ave Maria, Sebastia; 2. Cradle Song, Clarence White; 3. Serenade, Schubert; 4. Spring Song, Mendelssohn; 5. Traumerie, Schubert; 6. Serenade, M. Dialdo; 7. Meditation, Thias; 8. Obutass, Wianawski. This is the program. A finer one could not be arranged by Paderewski. For an evening of real musical enjoyment, the new Monogram is the place. The leader of the orchestra is Mr. Clarence Jones. For a long while Mr. Jones was at the Phoenix, and took this place of Prof. William Dorsey, who is in New York City. Mr. Jones is a composer of rare ability, his latest selection being "Wonderful Night." Leon English is the cornetist and John Wickliffe, drummer. With the addition of Miss White this orchestra will lead along the "stroll." The race is fortunate in being able to hear Miss White nightly, and it is very evident that those who go to the Monogram will enjoy her playing, for every number is highly rendered and she reads perfectly.

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Cook County Bar Association.

The Cook County Bar Association will be held on Friday evening of this week at the Y. M. C. A. This will be the initial meeting. The association is primarily for an improvement of members of the bar in and around Cook county, and to promote social intercourse and general welfare, and to raise the general standard of efficiency. All lawyers have been invited to participate.

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Dr. Barnes Speaks at Fred Douglass Center.

Dr. J. Edmestone Barnes, of Liberia, and West Africa, was the speaker of the evening at an informal gathering through the courtesy of Madame Cecelia Parker Wooley at the Fredrick Douglass Center on Tuesday evening of this week. Dr. Barnes is a noted scholar and thinker having written a number of pamphlets and manuscripts and participated in a number of important meetings in Europe on behalf of Africa and the darker races. He graduated from the Universities of London and Heidelberg, aside from being a mechanic and engineer of note he has executed with success a number of international commissions surveying large mining properties in Africa and inter-colonial boundaries in West Africa. For a number of years Dr. Barnes has been the director of Public Works in the Republic of Liberia, and contributed much to the recent success of that republic in the delimitation of its public domain. Dr. Barnes spoke Sunday night at Bethel church to a large and appreciative audience, which came out to hear this noted thinker despite the severe and inclement weather. Tuesday night the doctor discussed "Africa and Its Problems" in his usually convincing and scholarly style. Among the prominent invited people to hear Dr. Barnes were F. L. Barnett, L. B. Anderson, Oscar De Priest, Col. John R. Marshall, Dr. Bently, Major R. R. Jackson, George H. Jackson, R. S. Abbott, Dr. A. Wilberforce Williams, Dr. Dan Williams, S. A. T. Watkins, S. Laing Williams, Prof. Richard T. Greener, Cary B. Lewis, J. G. Cotter, Richard Westbrooks, Rev. A. J. Carey, Delbert Roberts, E. H. Wright, A. N. Fields, Charles Griffin, Rev. H. J. Callis, Dr. M. J. Brown, Jesse Binga, Dr. Harry Garnes, Dr. U. G. Dailey, Major R. R. Wright, Albert T. George, W. L. Martin, James T. Brewington, and others.

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All Ready for the Contest.

All Chicago is ready for the annual literary contest which will be held at Bethel A. M. E. church Sunday afternoon, Dec. 20, at 2:30 p. m. Mr. B. W. Fitts, president and Mr. Mitchem, his assistant, have sent out invitations to the prominent citizens of Chicago to be present and Dr. Louie Uselman, the donor of the diamond rings, has promised to be present. A fine musical program has been arranged for the occasion and the meeting is expected to be the largest ever held in the "Windy City." The meeting will be held in the main auditorium of the church and the Rev. Smythe has said that the whole afternoon will be given over to the contest.

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Tom Brown Wants Dancing Girls.

Mr. Tom Brown is carrying an ad. in The Freeman calling for a number of dancing and singing girls to have twenty weeks. Mr. Brown is well known and his word is as good as a twenty dollar gold piece. Those wishing work can write him at 3119 State street, Chicago, Ill.

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Working for the Poor.

The Chicago Defender is the only paper that is making an effort to help the poor and needy during the holidays. Now that the zero weather has come, their efforts will be greatly needed these very stringent times. Mr. Cary B. Lewis, of the Defender, has made a tour through several streets and found a number of families in dire need of food, coal and rent. Already several citizens and clubs have responded to the call of the paper and a neat sum will be raised to help these deserving people.

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Monroe Trotter Coming.

Monroe Trotter, editor of the Boston Guardian, the fearless newspaper man who spoke for his people at the White House some weeks ago, will be in the city. A big meeting will be arranged to hear him.

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W. Allison Sweeny Still in the Saddle.

Mr. W. Allison Sweeny is still in the editorial saddle. In the next week's issue of The Freeman the writer will give some space to the work of this noted writer and thinker.

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Dr. Matthews Dead.

Dr. Matthews, pastor of one of the leading Baptist churches on the Westside, died this week at his home. Funeral arrangements have not been made.

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Oath of Afro-American Youth.

"I will never bring disgrace upon my race by any unworthy deed or dishonorable act; I will lead a clean, decent, manly life, and will ever respect and defend the virtue and honor of womanhood; I will uphold and obey the just laws of my country and of the community in which I live and will encourage others to do likewise; I will not allow prejudice, injustice, insult or outrage to cower my spirit or sour my soul, but will strive to overcome evil for good; I will endeavor to develop and exert the best powers within me for my own personal improvement, and will strive unceasingly to quicken the sense of racial duty and responsibility; I will in all these ways aim to uplift my race so that, to everyone bound to it by ties of blood, it shall become a bond of ennoblement, and not a byword of reproach." This is the fine literary gem sent out by Prof. Kelly Miller. Segregation is the latest pamphlet issued by Prof. Miller.

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Rev. L. G. Jordan Here.

Rev. L. G. Jordan, secretary of the Baptist Foreign Mission Board, was in the city last week and spoke at Olivet and Ebenezer Baptist churches last Sunday. Dr. Jordan was highly entertained and met a number of his old friends. The National Baptist convention will be here next year.

CHAMPAIGN, ILL.

Colored People Purchase Majestic Theatre—Other News of the Twin Cities.

(By Z. L. Breedlove, Phone Bell 1659.)

Mrs. Gertrude Matthews and Mrs. M. L. Nickens, two well known and highly respected citizens of this city, have purchased the Majestic Theatre, located at 79 East Main street, from Mr. Fred Whitmeier (white). They opened for the first time Monday, December 14, with three shows daily, matinee from 2 to 5 and evening from 7 to 10:30. Mrs. Matthews and Mrs. Nickens have bought this theatre especially for colored people, as the colored people are jim-crowed at all of the other theatres. Why not come to one of your own and pay the money into the race where there is some chance of your getting it back indirectly than to spend it somewhere that your money is not appreciated. If the colored people will just show their race pride and go to this theatre which is a credit to the colored people of the twin cities, not only to the colored people here, but to the colored people in central Illinois. Mrs. Matthews is a member of the Eastern Star lodge and Mrs. Nickens is a member of the Pilgrim Sisters of the Holy Cross, a lodge that believes in race pride and race patriotism. Now is the time for all Pilgrim Sisters and Pilgrim Knights to show it by boosting this new enterprise. Everyone is cordially invited to attend and give your hearty co-operation in attendance and good order. I attended Monday afternoon. I was just as well entertained as if I had gone to some of the other theatres, because they gave some very good pictures to be their first to show and I highly recommend this theatre to be first class in every respect.

Miss Nora Neal, of Anna, Ill., niece of Mr. Nathan Dyer, is here visiting Mrs. Charlie Martin.

Miss Ivadell Rogan, of Decatur, gave a piano recital Friday, December 11, which was very much appreciated by the audience. Program was as follows: Song, "Illinois," by audience; reading, Mrs. I. B. Thompson; (a) Witches Dance, Paganini, (b) To a Water Lily, McDowell, (c) Valse Brilliant, Chopin, Miss Rogan; vocal solo, Miss Alice Moore; violin solo, Mr. E. H. Simpson; piano, (a) Prelude, Rachanioff, (b) Moonlight Sonata, Beethoven, Miss Rogan; (a) Valse Serenade (left hand alone), Mrogmann, (b) Etude in form of Valse, Chopin, Miss Rogan.

A. M. E. Church—Sunday school had an average attendance. The subject of the sermon Sunday morning was "Wasted Opportunities," taken from I Kings 88:40, that too much of our time is lost in non-essentials where it should be spent in soul saving. Rev. Jameson spoke in the evening on "Power to Do Human Impossibilities," taken from St. Luke ix:13: "Whatever it takes to bring men into the kingdom, we ought to do it, whether it is feeding one of the multitude."

Rev. Whitsitt, pastor of the C. M. E. church, corner of Fifth and Freemont streets, returned from conference, which was held at Cairo, Ill. Rev. Whitsitt carried in the third best report in the conference.

Salem Church—The pastor, J. M. Owens, being in Iowa assisting in revival, Rev. D. C. Jones occupied the pulpit in the morning at 11, when he preached on "Take heed ye that think ye stand, lest ye fall," and in the evening his sermon was on "Follow Me." The Sunday school is preparing to present a play, "The Greatest Day in the Year," on the evening of December 4th. There will also be a Christmas tree and Santa Claus.

The Christmas issue of The Freeman will be 10c. Order now.

Mr. Robert Earnest gave a dance in honor of Miss Ivadell Rogan, Saturday evening, December 10, at Oldham's hall, in Urbana. About twenty couples were out and enjoyed themselves in the superlative degree.

GOVERNOR WHITMAN TO AWARD SPINGARN MEDAL.

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People to Hold Annual Meeting on February 12th.

Charles S. Whitman, Governor-elect of New York state, has consented to make a presentation speech and to award the Spingarn Medal on the twelfth of February at the annual meeting of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. This is an event of the very highest importance to Afro-Americans, as it will mark the first occasion on which this medal is awarded. Its donor is one of the best white friends of our race, Dr. J. E. Spingarn of New York, chairman of the N. A. A. C. P. The medal, which is of solid gold and worth $100, will be awarded annually to the colored man or woman who performs the highest or noblest achievement during the preceding twelve months, and is meant not merely to reward colored achievement, but also to give the fact of such achievement by colored people a nation-wide publicity. The judges, ex-President Taft, Oswald Garrison Villard of the New York Evening Post, Dr. James H. Dillard of the Jeanes and Slater Funds, Bishop Hurst of Baltimore, and President Hope of Morehouse College, will not announce who is to receive the first medal until Governor Whitman presents it on Lincoln's birthday.

There will be two sessions of the annual meeting of the N. A. A. C. P. on February 12th, both of which will be held in the Ethical Culture Hall, 63d street and Central Park West, New York City. The afternoon session will be devoted to association business, and will be open to members only. At this, Dr. Spingarn as chairman of the board of directors, will read his annual report, and branches throughout the country will also render reports of progress. At the evening session, which will open to the general public without tickets or admission fees, the medal will be awarded, and several speakers of national eminence, beside Governor Whitman, will address the meeting.

Before this meeting takes place, Dr. Spingarn will have completed his second tour of the country in the interest of justice to colored people. He expects to start early in January, and to include a large number of cities between Buffalo and Pittsburg in the East and Omaha and St. Paul in the West. All those interested in his trip and all cities wishing to be included in his itinerary, should write immediately to Miss May Childs Nerney, secretary of the N. A. A. C. P., 70 Fifth avenue, New York City.

PORTSMOUTH, OHIO.

Annual Banquet of Centennial Lodge.

Miss Timothy Ford, of Jackson, a former school mate of Rev. Chapman and Prof. Gentry, and Mrs. Mary Brodes, of Louisville, Ky., are here visiting Mrs. Jack Dill. They attended the services at Pleasant Green Baptist church last Sunday night. .. Mrs. Cornelius Huckenbotton, of Columbus, is visiting Mrs. Mary Johnson, of Ninth street. .. Miss C. Garrett spent last Sunday in Columbus with friends. .. Mr. Ed Johnson, of the Westside, spent Sunday with his daughter, Mrs.. Hazel Harrison, of Tenth street. .. The A. M. E. Sunday school is growing and they are having great success. Rev. Irvin is well pleased with the growth of his church. The collection at Sunday school was $13.42... The Sewing Circle of Pleasant Green Baptist church held a successful meeting last Thursday evening. .. Mrs. Mary Melvin Johnson and son, James Melvin, had a very nice visit while at Christianburg, Va. This is the first visit for Mrs. Johnson in forty years. .. The A. M. E. Sewing Circle met at the home of Mrs. Annie White on Fourteenth street last Thursday evening. After business a chicken supper was served by the hostess. There were fourteen members present and one visitor. .. Mr. Washington Green, of Green Fork, Adams county, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bell, at Bell's Restaurant... The Recital Religioso at the A. M. E. Sunday school last Sunday morning was a grand success and the superintendent, Mr. L. S. Minor, in behalf of the committee, Fred G. Minor and Charles Johnson, thanked all who had taken part and come out to help the good work along. May God bless us all. .. The thirty-ninth anniversary and banquet of Centennial Lodge No. 1722, C. U. O. O. F., at Berg's Dancing Academy, at Ironton O., was enjoyed by all who attended. The welcome address was delivered by Dr. M. P. Woodfin, of Ironton. Addresses delivered by Rev. G. Medcalf and Mr. Valentine, of this city, after which Chas. Robinson made a very nice talk on the Centennial Lodge. The music was rendered by Washington's famous saxaphone trio. A. C. Banks, floor manager; arrangement committee, Clarence Jiles, Wm. H. Calloway, Wm. H. Page, Chas. L. Banks and Esan Davis. Menu: Ham sandwiches, potato salad, celery, slaw, coffee, oysters, ice cream and cake. .. The Silver Leaf Court last week was a success and everyone enjoyed it. .. The Sew and Sew Embroidery Club met with Miss E. Jones at the home of Mrs. G. Banks, Eleventh street, last Saturday afternoon with the following members present: Mrs. M. Fossett, A. Fossett, C. Banks, I. Hollingsworth, E. M. Gentry, M. Marshall, N. Jones, E. White, and A. Justice. Quite an enjoyable time was spent in needle work and making preparation for the holidays. Dainty lunch was served by the hostess.

GIFTS FOR NEGRO CHILDREN.

Booker T. Washington Asks Aid for Those in South.

Sir—I know something of how severely the generosity of people throughout the country has been taxed on account of the suffering in Europe, but nevertheless I have a feeling that there are many who would count it a privilege to provide some Christmas remembrance for negro children in the rural districts of the South, especially in the cotton regions, where there there is likely to be not only nothing in the way of ordinary Christmas gifts, but poverty and suffering on account of the depressed financial conditions growing out of the European war.

I shall be glad to be used, as in other years, as a medium for the distribution, through small schools and otherwise, of such presents as may be sent, and shall see that they reach deserving children in wide sections of the South.

BOOKER T. WASHINGTON,
Principal Tuskegee Institute, Alabama.

COLUMBUS, OHIO.

(By B. H. Burnett)

Miss Hallie Q. Brown, with her male quartet of African singers, gave a nice musical entertainment Friday, December 11th, for the benefit of the "Watchman's Monthly." .. The musical entertainment given at Memorial Hall, December 10th, by Camp No. 75, Spanish War Veterans, had the class in every form. The music was great and the singing fine. Mrs. Wm. Tyler and Miss Daisy Hall made a perfect hit, while D. P. Jones' piano selections were unsurpassed with music of selected class. .. Mr. Albert Knox, president, and Miss Katherine Trindall, chorists of Eleventh Street M. E. church, will have a hog killing day, December 30. The heaviest hog will win the prize, but you must feed the hog nickels and dimes. This is for the benefit of the choir. .. Mr. Ike Barber, of Winter avenue, who has been confined in the hospital, is much better. .. Rev. Davis, of Shiloh Baptist church, preached the installation sermon of Rev. Thomas, of Marion, Ind., Sunday. Rev. Thomas was formerly of Columbus. .. The funeral of Mrs. Fannie Smith, 53 years of age, of Columbus, O., was held at the Eleventh Street M. E. church, Friday, December 11. The Adams undertaking establishment had charge of the body. Services conducted by Dr. Gillian, pastor. Interment in Greenlawn cemetery. .. Mrs. W. B. McClanahan and daughter, Thetis, of Worthington, will spend the holidays in Morgantown, W. Va., with relatives and friends. .. To the Freeman readers of Columbus, O., who asked me about the lady representing the Freeman here and soliciting for subscriptions: Be careful. I have the exclusive agency here but have not any woman working for me—all Boys. Yours, B. H. Bennett.

CLEVELAND, O.

Dr. J. H. Presnell, of Knoxville, Tenn., was in city on professional call to take Miss Edith Hannum back to Knoxville, who is very ill. Dr. Presnell is a graduate of MeHarry Medicall College and doing well.

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NEWS OF THE NATION'S CAPITAL!

The Assembling of Congress Brings Back to Washington Two Brilliant Members of the "Third House."

HOW THE REFORM LAWS WORK IN THE DISTRICT

Mrs. Philip Waters of Charleston, W. Va., Visits in the City—Plans of the Mu-So-Lit Club; Several Persons Elected to Membership—Henrietta Vinton Davis Making an Extensive Tour of the South, with Headquarters at Jacksonville, Fla.—Howard University Football Team Defeats Hampton Team.

(By R. W. Thompson.)

(Bureau of The Freeman, 1337 Wallach Place, N. W., Washington, D. C.)

Washington, D. C., Special.

The coming of Congress brought with us again Messrs. Frank A. Byron, of Chicago, and Frederick D. McVracken of St. Paul, Minn. Mr. Byron came here originally with Congressman George N. Foss twelve years ago, and Mr.Cracken came a little later with Congressman Frederick C. Stevens. Since then both have been phenomenally active in the promotion of the public weal, especially with reference to legislation and other matters of direct interest to the colored epople at the Capitol. The defeat of Mr. Stevens at the recent election will mean the retirement of Mr. McCracken, but the energetic young man will not suffer thereby, it being understood that he has already been offered a desirable position in a business establishment in his home town. It is said to be only a question of time when Mr. Byron will forsake official life here and hie himself to his native heath in Chicago and enter upon the practice of law. He is an honor graduate of the law department of Howard University. In the meantime these two brilliant young members of the "Third House" will continue their work at the Capitol and keep an eye on things that concern their people and let their light shine in the social and literary world, of which they have so long been a helpful part.

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"Reform Laws" in the District and How They Work Out.

The labors of the Excise Board in readjusting the saloons of the District to conform to the new Jones-Works law, which reduces the number of barroom licenses to 300, have pleased neither the friends nor the foes of the liquor business. Of course, when the Board had to consider over 400 applications for retail licenses, with only 300 to grant, somebody had to be disappointed; but the charge is openly made that the grants did not seem to be made with an eye single to fitness, justice or public safety. It is alleged that in many instances reputable bars were closed up, while "dives" that had fostered disorder, if not crime, were allowed to go on in the even tenor of their way. The Anti-Saloon League, leaders of the fight against the business, complains that the allotments do not square with the law in a number of cases and there are threats that Congress will be asked to investigate the matter. The saloonists, some of the principal sufferers being colored men, make like complaint and may join their erstwhile opponents in having the action of the Board aired for the general good. Everywhere there is surprise that men who had maintained quiet and law-abiding places should have been forced out of business and less desirable resorts permitted to continue.

Under the new regime only five colored establishments secured licenses, while five others were denied the coveted papers. P. Dallas Washington, one of the unfortunates, is negotiating with James W. Gray, of 636 D street, for the purchase of his place. If the Excise Board approves the transfer, Mr. Washington expects to take hold of the famous Gray's Cafe early in December. It is not known what course Moses H. Dade, L. P. Costley, J. O. Holmes and Elliott C. West will pursue with reference to their business interests.

Civic workers and the laity are of the opinion that neither the Jones-Works law nor the Kenyon anti-vice law is bringing about the reforms expected. There is as much drinking as ever and the revelations of the "vice-squad" indicate that the social evil has simply been scattered since its ejection from the segregated district. Municipal revenues have been largely reduced and the jobs of about 1,000 men have been affected, with no compensatory betterment of moral conditions. This is the view taken by the practical citizens of the capital and there is strong talk that Congress will be asked to so amend the new reform measures that they will accomplish in a fair way some of the good things their sponsors aimed at when they urged their passage. As a well-known Y. M. C. A. worker puts it: "People are not reformed by drastic legislation and the evils natural to a large city are not wiped out overnight by hysterical and half-baked statutes. Sensible regulation, moral education and broad-visioned administration will go farther toward restraining vice in humanity than any other plan that the friends of virtue and civic uplift can suggest."

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Plans of the Mu-So-Lit Club.

Messrs. G. Luther Sadgwar and R. W. Thompson were hosts for the December meeting of the executive committee of the Mu-So-Lit Club last Tuesday evening at the cozy home of the former, 1830 Fourth street northwest. Following the business session the committee partook of a dainty supper, served under the direction of Mesdames Belle Sadgwar and Grace Lucas Thompson. Among those present, besides the hosts, were W. J. Singleton, Jay Williams Clifford, E. H. Lawson, G. Smith, Wormley, J. C. Burlis, D. D. Monroe, A. Kiger Savoy, Benjamin Washington, A. N. Scurlock, Frank A. Byron and others.

Plans were laid for a special meeting of the Mu-So-Lit Club at the Berean Baptist church, Tuesday evening, December 15, which wil be the first "ladies' night" of the fall and winter season. The principal attraction of the occasion will be Congressman Clarence B. Miller, of Duluth, representing the Eighth Congressional District of Minnesota, who will deliver an illustrated lecture on "The Present and Putrie of the Philippine Islands," discussing in a highly interesting way, with the aid of stereopticon views, the capacity of the Filipinos for self-government. Mr. Miller is the ranking Republican member of the Committe on Insular Affairs and is thoroughly at home on this live subject. The program will embrace musical features, and the indications point to the occasion as one of the most profitable that the famous Mu-So-Lits have "pulled off" in its history. It will be the "first gun" of the approaching holiday season. Prof. G. Smith Wormley, president of the Mu-So-Lit Club, will introduce the speaker.

The following new members of the Mu-So-Lit Club were elected at the November meeting at the . M. C. A.: Dr. W. H. Wilson, A. Mercer Daniels, Prof. Thomas W. Turner, Prof. C. G. Woodson and J. H. Polk. There will be additonal vacancies to be filled at the next business meeting of the club. The administration of President G. Smith Wormley, an unusually prosperous one, will close on the second Friday in January. Tenures as president are invariably limted to one term.

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Mrs. Philip Waters Visits the Capital.

Mrs. Philip Waters, of Charleston, W. Va., wife of Col. Phil Waters, chief clerk of the State Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia, spent a few days here last week, en route from Romney, W. Va., and Cumberland, Md., where she visted relatives. She was the guest of Judge and Mrs. Robert H. Terrell and was shown many courtesies by her hosts and other friends, including Mr. and Mrs. Shelby J. Davidson and Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Thompson. Mrs. Waters is a young matron of engaging personality and made an excellent impression upon all who met her. She greatly admired the beauty of the capital and was inspired by the historic sights she saw.

Mrs. Waters has a daughter, Miss Phyllis, who is a sophomore at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, and who has won many laurels as an athlete and basket-ball expert. Like her distinguished husband, Mrs. Walters is an orator of pronounced quality, and has been heard to advantage on platforms in West Virginia and Michigan. She is well-read on matters of politcal and civic interest.

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The Howard University football team defeated the Hampton Institute team on Thanksgiving Day by 6 to 0. The crowd numbered over 5,000 and is said to have been the banner attendance in the history of the school.

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Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis, with headquarters at Jacksonville, Fla., has been making a tour of the State of Florida, giving recitals last week at Key West, Fort Lauderdale and other cities in that vicinity. On the 19th she sails from New Orleans for Bocas Del Toro, Panama, and will travel throughout Central America, organizing "Malachites" and giving dramatic recitals. She will fill a

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Special to The Freeman:

Rev. Flake, the new pastor of the A. M. E. church, has taken general charge and will move his family here from Houston at once. .. Rev. Felix Jones went to Sulphur Springs Friday, the 8th, to attend the District Board. .. Dr. E. P. Makerson, of Fort Worth, was in the city a few days last week the guest of Dr. L. W. Taylor. .. Miss Davie Crockett is convalescing. .. Mr. and Mrs. Estus Sephar, of Celeste, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ben Brooks. .. Invitations are out announcing the marriage of Mrs. Odella Jackson to Mr. E. E. Wilson December 22d. .. Mrs. Janey Cook, of Tulsa, Okla., is visiting her sister, Mrs. George Budd on East Henry street. .. The Sanford Stock Company closed a four weeks' engagement at the Pastime Theatre December 5th and left Sunday morning for Paris, Texas., where they will open Monday night at the Pastime Theatre of that city. The company consists of a clever bunch of performers working together harmoniously, not even a discord was made and gave us some of the best shows we ever had at the Pastime Theatre. .. Miss Emma G. Holly made a flying trip to Wolfe City Saturday. .. Miss Iona Kitchin, teacher at Wolfe Creek school, spent Sunday with home folks. .. The Progressive Club is filling a needful mission in our city by helping the aged and sick and helping supply clothes to a number of poor children. .. Eight candidates were baptized at the New Hope church Sunday. .. Mr. George Wade (Dumplings), star comedian and dancer, is now with the Sanford Stock Company, now playing Paris. .. The Freeman is on sale every Saturday at the Pastime Theater. W. D. Pratt, reporter.

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The old and young,
But God used him
For his own.

CAIRO, ILL.

News of the Churches and Society in General.

The pastor, Rev. J. H. Starks, D.D., preached at the morning service at the First Missionary Baptist church, subject, "Hold Fast." The attendance was good. At night covenant meeting and the Lord's Supper was administered to the church. The pastor preached a short sermon, subject, "The Lord's Supper.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Roberson returned home from Osceola, Ark.

Mrs. Macfarland and daughter Miss Katis, attended services at the First Missionary Baptist church morning services, also W. A. Cook.

The Fifteenth Street Free Baptist church is looking fine, and after the finishing touch will be a credit to the city.

The C. M. E. church held their annual conference with the C. M. E. church on upper Commercial street, last week.

Otis Clendenen died at the family residence on Pine street and was buried at Huntington, Tenn.

A charitable aid society was organized in the northern part of the city recently.

Mrs. Mary Mayhorn and Mrs. Harriet Cage, of Hodges Park, were business callers here the 3d.

Mrs. Campfield, of Hodges Park, visited her son, Lewis Campfield.

Mrs. Missouri Overby is nursing a broken leg. We hope that it will not be necessary to amputate it.

Mr. A. W. Owens, of 23d street, a prosperous and well respected citizen, is selling coal for 15c per bushel. Those that were not able to put in their supply of winter coal had been paying 20c per bushel. Mr. Owen's price was highly appreciated. May the Lord bless him.

Rev. M. White, of Carbondale, was the guest of relatives here.

Mrs. Adeline Calope and Mrs. Liddie Dixon went to Future City, Sunday.

The funeral services of Mr. and Mrs. J. Wade's daughter was held at the Morning Star Free Baptist church on the 6th. J. S. Donaldson had charge of the remains. Interment at Mounds cemetery.

Rev. Hill and wife attended the C. M. E. conference last week. The Rev. also preached at Morning Star Free Baptist church Sunday night.

Mr. Ed Finley, of Future City, was a business caller here Monday the 7th. Mrs. Doshia Buckner, of 23d street, is on the sick list.

Amos Fuls, Frank and Willis Tuck, of Columbus, Ky., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. James, of 226 2d street.

Rev. Macfarland, D.D., returned home Tuesday from Bandana and Wickliffe, Ky. The reverend gentleman has been engaged in a series of revival meetings at the late place. He closed a successful revival with thirteen additions to the church. He reports a grand time in the vineyard and he is looking well.

The Nineteenth Street Baptist church is having a bazaar this week.

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YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO.

The funeral of the late Charles Washington, who was killed by a piece of steel, was held Monday from the Third Baptist church, of which he was a member and also a member of Logan Lodge, No. 4, K. of P., which had charge of the body. The services were largely attended. Rev. O. Harper officiated. The deceased leaves a wife and two children and a number of relatives in this city, a sister and brother in Washington, D. C., father in Culpepper, Va., where he was born forty-four years ago. .. Mrs. Queen N. Robison is improving after her illness. .. Buckeye Lodge of Elks No. 73 will hold their services at the A. M. E. church Sunday, December 13, at 2:30 p. m. and all members are requested to meet at the hall at 1 o'clock. .. Laura Edwards Court of Calantha will meet Wednesday at their hall. All members are requested to be present. .. Buckeye Lodge of Elks will give a social and dance Monday evening, December 14, in their hall, 269 1-2 West Federal street. .. Mrs. Margaret Harris died at the home of her daughter, Evadore Williams, last Sunday. She was 83 years old and was born in Harrisburg, Ky. She leaves the following children: William and John Smith, of Dayton. .. Buckeye Lodge No. 73, I. B. P. O. E. of W. will hold their lodge of sorrow at the Oak Hill Avenue A. M. E. church on Sunday, December 13, at 2:30 p. m., Eastern standard time. The arrangements are in charge of Bro. C. V. Murray, chairman of committee; Bro. I. H. Bobson, secretary of committee; John H. Moor, W. H. Milton and Thomas Robinson. Those consenting to assist on the program are District Deputy Welcome Blue, of Cleveland, Ohio; Bro. Thos. Fleming, of Cleveland, Ohio; Mrs. Fowler, of Sharon, Pa.; Mrs. W. H. Milton, Mrs. A. B. Hicks, Mrs. R. D. Lynch, Miss Violet Robinson, Bros. R. D. Lynch and Thomas E. Green, Esq., also a large delegation of brothers and friends are expected from New Castle and Sharon, Pa.

NEWS OF MIAMI, FLA.

Miami presents its usual appearance at this season of the year. The city is rapidly filling with tourists from all sections of the country seeking the balmy clime of the Southern peninsular, and especially that of Miami, whose only rival is said to be Egypt. With this influx there is always a number of colored arrivals, who add materially to the brilliancy of the social season in this city. This was greatly evidenced at the banquet which was tendered the Rev. Father Tucker, rector of Saint Agnes P. E. church, by the Ladies' Guild, last week. This affair was pronounced the most brilliant and enjoyable ever given in Miami. After listening to gems of oratory from the professional and business world, Rev. Father Tucker responded in a manner commendable to a gentleman of his calling and ability. Dr. A. P. Holly was master of ceremony and filled this office with dignity and competency... It will be gratifying to the many friends and patrons of Mrs. Ella Lazara, proprietress of the Ideal Notion Store, to learn of her permanent location in the new Howard block. Mrs. Lazare temporarily suspended business awaiting completion of this structure. The Freeman, as well as a full line of her former stock, can be had. .. Though one of the youngest cities in the state, it is also one of the most progressive. The colored people have not been dilatory in grasping the opportunities here presented. Mr. J. H. Howard, to his and the credit of the race in general, has just had completed by Contractor Scavella, a concrete structure costing several thousand dolars, on Avenue G. This building is one of the most modern type, and we are proud to say all work was done by colored mechanics. .. Rev. Father Tucker, who has recently been installed as rector of St. Agnes P. E. church, which has been under the leadership of a white priest, has accomplished more in the short space of time of his installation than thought possible. He is a very able man and is doing much for the uplift of the race in the Magic City. .. Dr. and Mrs. John R. Scott, Jr., were presented with a very fine daughter last month. Both are doing well. .. Thanksgiving was observed in a most befitting manner. Services were held at all of the churches and an unusually large number of dinner parties were given, as well as dances. .. It is with deep regret that we mention the sad and untimely death of Mr. Samuel Dillard, of Miami and Palm Beach. Mr. Dillard leaves to mourn his death a widow and daughter and numerous relatives. .. Miss Lilian Howard, who has been away for the summer spending her vacation with friends in Rhode Island and New York City, returned to this city last week.

CARRIER MILLS, ILL.

The recent rains were very much needed in this vicinity, as most wells were becoming dry. .. The revival meeting of the A. M. E. church, under charge of Rev. Hadley, the pastor, is progressing nicely. He was assisted by Rev. Wm. Graham, who has returned home on account of disabilities. Rev. Lee Miller, of Eddyville, preached Sunday, the 6th, and Rev. D. L. Harshaw, of Harrisburg, filled the pulpit Monday night. .. A dramatical exercise is being prepared by the little folks of the A. M. E. Sunday school for December 26th. .. The class in vocal music is also preparing a musical recital for some date during the holidays. .. There is a movement on foot to build an A. M. E. church in the rural district a few miles from town. .. We are always glad to have The Freeman on time. It is good company.

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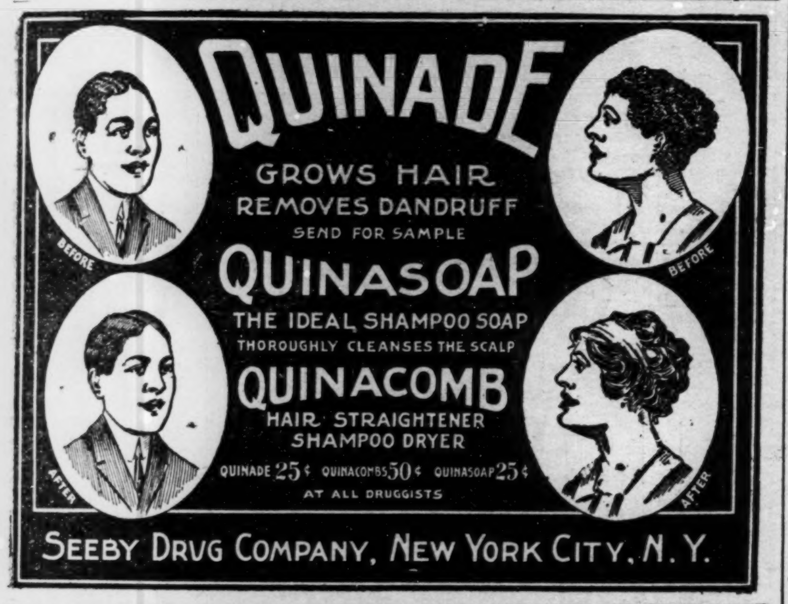

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News of the Schools, Churches and Society.

In spite of the inclement weather the entertainment given under the auspices of Mrs. Nancy Hughes, Mrs. Carrie Sutton and Mrs. Ella Springfield for the purpose of purchasing shades for the new public school building, was a success.

Mrs. Sallie Works and daughters, Misses Millie and Carrie, are visiting friends in Henderson.

Rev. D. Davis has returned from Greenville, Miss., where he attended the General Conference of the United Free Will Baptists.

Mr. and Mrs. Dred McClure have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Mayme McClure.

Rev. Lynch, of Clay, Ky., spent the week's-end visiting friends and preached two excellent sermons at the F. W. B. church and one at Carr's chapel.

Mrs. Adella Davis, Miss Josephine R. Higginson and Mr. H. D. Cheatham attended the S. C. D. A. last week, which convened in Henderson.

Miss Lillie Holt, of Terre Haute, spent a week visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. Cassie Housel, of Terre Haute, returned home after several weeks, the guests of Mrs. Nancy Hughes.

Civic Improvement School League meeting every Tuesday evening.

The many friends of Rev. C. H. Hightower sympathize with him in the recent bereavement of his son, Early, who was killed at a nearby town. The body was brought here for interment.

The dedication of the new school is not far removed.

Rev. Davis stopped off in Paducah one night, the guest of Rev. James McClure, whom he states is building a fine structure and doing fine. Rev. McClure is one of our products, and we rejoice to hear of his well doing.

The different Xmas programs are out and many pleasant features are booked for the holidays.

Prof. G. C. Wakefield is conducting a night school for the benefit of any one desiring to attend.

The County Association convenes at Waverly the third Saturday of this month.

The Freeman on sale each week by Mr. Wm. Couch.

The annual election of officers of the U. B. F., No. 10, held Monday night, Dec. 7th, resulted as follows: J. A. Hughes, worthy master; R. A. Grundy, deputy master; Jas. Hughes, secretary, with A. E. Neal, assistant; Dr. M. G. Ransom, treasurer; board of managers, Charles Metcalf, Peter Miller, Silas Clements, Larkin Hoard and William Dooley.

The stork visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Couch last Monday evening, Dec. 7th, and left a fine boy. The mother and baby are getting along nicely.

Mr. Richard Berry is convalescing, after several weeks' illness.

Mrs. Daisy Bayliss and children, of Experience, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Givens, this week. They are enroute to Cincinnati, O., where her husband, Rev. Bayliss, is stationed this conference year.

Miss Carrie Curry is on the sick list.

Mr. Charles Jones is still seriously ill.

PINE BLUFF, ARK.

(By Uriah Treet)

Bishop Chappell arrived here from the Warren conference last Sunday and was greeted by a good-natured audience at St. John's A. M. E. church, where he gave a good lecture. Presiding Elder J. H. Jones was present and remarks were heard from Prof. Vinegar, of the branch normal, and other speakers were heard. Everybody seemed pleased with the new pastor, Rev. O. L. Moody, former president of Shorter. .. Mrs. M. E. Hockenhull, of 627 East Sixth avenue, has just received her ribbons and paper won by capturing first prizes in two cases at the Autumn Exposition and Amusemnt Festival of Manhattan Casino, September 28th to October 2. Her exhibit consisted of fine dressmaking, hand-painted dresses and millinery. These goods were late getting back from New York. They were to have been on exhibition at the Arkansas State Fair at Hot Springs. Mrs. Hockenhull has shown her worth as an artist, and we will be proud of others who might prove to be worthy in some lines. .. Mr. Carsoda and Mr. Nelson, the well known out-door sports, took a hunt through the Saline river country for deer and Mr. Carsoda found a bear and the next thing he did was to find Nelson. When they arrived at home they told great things as to what they did to the bear. .. Mr. M. M. Webb made a business trip to Stuttgart Saturday. .. Mr. Geo. Wagner, of Altheimer, was a visitor this week ... Rev. B. R. Williams, of Rob Roy, has been absent for a week winding up the year's business for his churches and lodges. .. Constable Thomas, of Sherrill, was in the city Saturday. Mr. Bob West, the State street barber, reports the loss of his fine bird dog. .. Mr. Dave Davis, the well known cotton classer, was at Sherrill last week to purchase some cotton. .. Mr. Columbus Outlaw, the well known blacksmith of Tucker, has been very ill but is reported much improved. .. Mr. Frazier, of Ellison, was a visitor at the Outlaw home Sunday. .. Mrs. Washington, wife of the postal clerk, was a visitor at Ellison last week. .. Mr. Felix Coleman, Jr., has embarked in the wood and grocery business. .. Gen. Higgins, of the U. R. M. T. A., was through the city last week. He reports increased business for the order. .. M. C. B. Drew, of the A. G. Allen Show, made a hit with Pine Bluff in his magic stunt. He made many friends and will be received with open arms on his return.

NEWS OF LAKE FOREST, ILL.

Miss Luther has returned from New York, where she went to be at the bedside of her sick mother. Cupid will be here soon. You better hurry to keep him away. .. A musical entertainment will be given for the benefit of the A. M. E. church of Lake Forest at the Westside meeting house, next to the City Hall. Among the numbers on the program will be Rev. H. E. Johnson, of Waukegan, who will talk on some interesting subject; Miss H. Holland, soloist; Miss Bettollo Forstorm, of Chicago, dramatic reader, and by special request will have Mr. C. M. Sloan with his original anvil duet. .. Mr. P. J. Brown, of Chicago, was a visitor in our city Thursday... Mr. J. Reed made a flying trip to the city Tuesday on business. .. Mrs. Gananay, of Asheville, N. C., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Verdin, in Brushwood Road. .. Mrs. Lucy Jefferson was in Chicago Tuesday doing Christmas shopping. Don't be stingy with Santa Claus. .. Mr. E. Hart has been indisposed but somewhat better. He was in Chicago Tuesday to attend the U. B. F. .. The Literary had their installation of officers. Prof. Fisher, from Evanston, gave a fine lecture on the duty of members of the Literary, and also on "Opportunity." A fine program was rendered. .. Mr. Sherrod, of Westminster avenue, is convalescing at this writing... Sunday was communion day at the First Baptist church. Several partook of the Lord's supper. This was a great day at the First Baptist. .. J. Reid spent Sunday in Chicago, visiting friends. He also visited the stroll, of which he is a great lover. .. Reid Harrison made a flying trip to Chicago on the 6th inst. He took in the movies. He says he got to see the movies, that's all. .. Don't you know the holidays are coming? Why don't you get ready for that Christmas number of the Freeman. It will be worth your while to read it. It will tell about every business man of any note, and deal with all church work. Send in your order to 541 R, so you can be taken care of.

MONTGOMERY, W. VA.

(By W. L. Hayes.)

Mrs. Lizzie Sherman and daughter, Mary, left Friday for Ohio, where she will make her future home.

Mr. George Lee, of Huntington, was a business caller in town Sunday.

Mrs. Marie Hodge, of Charleston, called on relatives here Sunday.

Mr. Horatio Holmes is still confined to his room.

Mrs. L. D. Hodge left Saturday for Richmond, where she will spend several days in the interest of True Reformers.

Miss Mabel Saunders is calling on friends in Charleston this week.

Mr. Robert Steverson continues to remain quite ill.

Mrs. Beatrice Horn, of Covington, Ky., is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Mary Holmes.

Mrs. Tinie Dudley, of Washington, D. C., is the guest of her brother, Mr. Henry Hardy.

Mr. Will Howard, of Brown, W. Va., is the guest of friends here this week.

Mrs. Cora Anderson, of Charleston, was the guest of Mrs. S. M. Marks last week.

W. W. Chambliss, formerly of this place, has gone to Eskdale, where he has opened up business. He will deal in sea food, vegetables, fruits and fine shoe manufacturing. He desires your patronage and will assure you that he will treat you right. Call and see him.

Miss Willie Saunders, of Charleston, was the week-end guest of friends.

Mrs. M. M. Steptoe and Miss Mabel Saunders spent a few days with friends at Dorothy last week.

Mrs. Laura Brown and Mrs. Luvinia Cross attended the funeral of their nephew in Charleston last week.

The entertainment given at the home of Mrs. L. D. Hodge Thanksgiving was a financial success.

Misses Ethel Brown, Kathrine Brown and Mrs. L. A. T. Gough were called to Charleston last week on account of the death of their cousin.

Mme. Marie Hodge, who has a beauty parlor in Charleston, was the week-end guest of her mother, Mrs. L. D. Hodge.

DANVILLE, ILL.

The Funerals of Mrs. Catharine Williams and Mr. Robert Bass.

Mrs. W. A. Brown, of Buxton, Iowa, field secretary of Baptist Missionary Society of the Nebraska and Iowa district, was a visitor in the city last week.

The Children's Band of the Second Baptist church will hold a Mock Trial Thursday evening, Dec. 17th.

The Second Baptist church is having a week of prayer.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, of 427 Union avenue, are the proud parents of a son.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Norman R. Wright, 440 Junction avenue, a son, second child.

Mrs. Vance, Harmon avenue, is on the sick list; also Miss Annie Carr, of Lyons street.

Miss Allie Banett and sister, Miss Coleman, 214 Sidell avenue, are convalescing.

Mesdames Elsie Lewis, Clara Kennedy and Messrs. Walter Glen and Charles Lewis, of Terre Haute, Ind., who were the guests of Mr. Lewis' sister, Mrs. George Alexander, Thanksgiving Day, were served an old-fashioned Thanksgiving dinner. Beautiful place card were laid for 16 guests.

The Ministers Alliance met Tuesday evening at Western Avenue A. M. E. church, Vermillion Heights.

Rev. Wykcliffe Smith, a former resident of this city, is visiting here this week and preached at Allen A. M. E. church Sunday evening.

The funeral of Mrs. Catherine Williams, who died Friday night, was held at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon from the family residence, 716 1-2 E. VanBuren street. Mrs. Williams was born in North Carolina thirty-eight years ago and had been a resident of this city for the past twenty years. She is survived by two daughters. The husband and father died six years ago.

The funeral of Mr. Robert Bass, who died Sunday afternoon at the family resident, 1001 Chandler street, was held at the residence Tuesday afternoon at 2 p. m., Rev. Theo. Price, pastor of Allen A. M. E. church, officiating. Mr. Bass had been a resident of this city for forty-eight years and was an active member of his race. He was a member of Kenesaws Post of the Grand Army of the Republic, and that organization had charge of the services at the cemetery. He was a charter member of Corinthian lodge No. 31, F. and A. M. He also was a charter member of Allen A. M. E. church, which organization was effected at his home. A widow, two daughters, one sister, of Terre Haute, and one brother survive.

"TWO PILATES."

On December 5, 1914, "The Negro Farmer" of Tuskegee Institute, Alabama, carried an unusual editorial entitled, "A Modern Pilate and His Challenge," in which the Honorable Emmet O'Neal, Governor of Alabama, is compared with Pontius Pilate. Never so powerful and pleasing as when using the scriptures to enforce and adorn his arguments, the editor of The Negro Farmer has prepared something worth reading in this editorial.

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Winter is on at its best, with its accessories, snow, ice and so forth.

Dr. Booker T. Washington will act as a means for the distribution of Christmas presents to the children of the rural South. He knows how to serve his people. Why shouldn't he increase?

Just a lynching or so to make the passing of the year. But at that, we think the number lynched this year will not be so great as that of last year. Where there is improvement, there is progress. Not being lynched for raping, that's the consolation.

Christmas is the spiritual sun of the winter season. It's coming is looked to with the fondest expectation. We linger musingly enamored under its spell when on at its full. We look backwards with sweet regrets, owing to the reminders, as it passes from us.

England all along has feared that the Germans would make a dash for her coast. The thing was done when the kaiser's men bombarded the unprotected towns of Scarborough, Hartlepoole and Whitley. The damage done was not great. The attack, however, was a very great object lesson.

According to report, Theodore Roosevelt has signed a three years' contract with the Metropolitan magazine under which he will write for it exclusively, articles on political and economic subjects. The Colonel knows how to say things; this, together with his personality and his previous occupation as President, what he says, will be more or less attractive at all times.

Christmas buying is at high tide. The streets have taken on that appearance read about in books and in papers, also the stores—a satisfactory holiday appearance. A few things only reach our ideals. The high tide of Christmas in large cities is one of them. The gift feeling grows on one along in here. The last year's resolution to be a grouch somehow gives way, and we all find ourselves planning and giving as we have been always doing.

Rev. Dr. R. C. Ransom, of the A. M. E. Quarterly Review does not see much hope for the New York Negro as factor in the race uplift. He says, "The Negroes of New York City are a big mass but they can not be mobilized—they follow no leadership. They are well-dressed, have education and money, but they are not together." He thinks Texas is it especially. He also has a good opinion of Georgia, Virginia and Mississippi. The New Yorkers, doubtless, will be shocked to know that they have been weighed in the balances and found wanting. To live in New York is not wholly sufficient, as advantageous as it appears to be.

Andrew Carnegie thinks it would be unchristian and immoral for the European nations at war to respect the holidays by stopping the fighting until the Christmas period is past. We certainly agree with Mr. Carnegie. It would be a mockery of christianity and civilization if the nations stopped fighting by a set program. If by some happy chance they did cease fighting during the holidays, it would be in the interest of both christianity and civilization. That would be an "unconscious" submission to the order of things which has worked, so far, for what we have by way of christianity and civilization, going on the theory that the war was inevitable. A "conscious" truce would be a sin, a sort of premeditated murder aspect, or compact, when men under agreement were merely resting up for the resume of slaughter. For, if they were actuated by the influence that has made for the observance of the holidays during the many years they would quit and go home to their families who need them and not play tag—the can't hit when the fingers are crossed game. War is not a necessity at this age.

"SAFETY FIRST."

The "safety first" movement now on in Indianapolis ought to be most heartily encouraged. For never before has the expression, in the midst of life we are in death, been so true. We are at the mercy of the automobiles, absolutely. That the drivers are as thoughtful and merciful as they are, is the reason more of us do not go by that route. We have no say-so in the matter.

The automobile is here to stay—a good and useful "institution," but there are times when the best of us, who walk, utter very deep curses owing to our "hair breath escapes," and in spite of the fact that it was the driver who saved us. Of course there are times when we are thoughtful enough to whisk ourselves across the road without being warned, thus our salvation is in our own hands. At other times it is very different.

The automobile, thinking of it as a sensate thing, that is, capable of feeling, acting of its own impulses, is no respecter of persons. That is one of the reasons that we, personally, have some admiration for it in spite of the fact that it is such an engine of destruction. Dignity, natural or assumed, gives way to it as the winter's snow's before the summer's sun. Man becomes himself—a barbarian, fleeing most precipitately from danger, whether it be President Wilson or some Indiana avenue non-de-script. The automobile is conceded the right of way whether we are willing or not.

The movement on, is to have the drivers to be still more cautious than they are. We have already said that we owe our safety to them rather than to ourselves, yet they can be more careful than they are. Accidents are occurring nearly every day, due to the drivers. As careful as the people are they are not prepared to protect themselves against the easy and rapid approach of the automobile. It means a great loss of life, needless loss. Very often the accidents have been of the most frightful kind, adding horror to death.

When Rienza, of Rome, the last of the Tribunes, came to the front of affairs, it was the sight of the death of a younger brother that had been trodden down in the road by the "heels" of the horses of the aristocrats that drove him to the thing of his heart, the redress of the common people. The illustration, perhaps, is far-fetched, since we have no similar political conditions. Nor was that the point the author meant to bring out. He showed what the spilled innocent blood meant—the "mangled corpse" of an innocent child. It was a terrible thing in itself. A moment before it was plucking flowers by the wayside, in sweet converse with the brother; now it is a shivering mass of flesh, ready to be blotted out for all time. When Rienza has won and failed for the second time one still sees the stimulating if not the actuating cause—the bundle of flesh and bones in the road.

Prominent citizens, including the mayor, have become very much interested in the safety of the citizens, especially the children. Near the school houses signs have been erected reading "School House, Drive Slow. Hoosier Motor Club." The drivers of cars know best the necessity for such signs. Children are heedless, playful and as they should be to a great extent. The drivers have learned through object lessons that it is clearly up to them whether there are scores killed every day of children or grown-up people. The movement is the natural outcome of a downright necessity. "Safety First." Drive slow is the way to get it.

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We herewith ask as they have asked; Little Ellsworth Malone, tricycle, coat, hosiery, shoes, toys, drum and wagon; Emery Lee, a suit, shoes, hat, nuts, etc.; Vivian Aguster, Lloyd Thomas and Hubert Scott, books, pistols, dolls, etc.; Kemp Willis and Laurene Arvesta Willis, doll, cap, a suit, his wheel fixed, dresses, etc.; Allie and Nathaniel Nickerson, doll, buggy, hosiery, rocking horse, shoes and a housekeeping set; Irene Bell, Emma Matthew, Mildred Ward, Martha Belle Heflin, Lucille Barbee, Arthur and Jessie Buford and Major Barbee say they want so much that they could not write it all; Louise Watt, Ida Geneva Watt and Mildred Gladys Watt want a rocking chair, several dresses, shoes, hosiery, beauty pins, hats, candies, etc.; Roy and Marvin Johnson, trains, fireman's outfit, guns, shoes, candies, nuts, etc.; J. G. Griffin, Jr., automobile and cowboy outfit complete for the range, candies, nuts, etc.; Lenola Hopkins, dresses, shoes and a diamond ring; James Matthews Sutton, Teddy bear, suit, gloves and an auto; Alfred and James Pierce, Jr., suits, hosiery, nuts, candies, dolls and a new mamma; Lela and Violet Collins, coats, dolls, buggy and money; Madam Barnes, a baked goose; Jeffery Linn, tricycle, candies, nuts and hosiery; Gladys Curtis, dresses, books, shoes, candies, fruits and nuts; Laura Williams and Catherine Robinson, rocking chair, dolls, piano, raincoat and set of furniture .. Miss Bertha Mae Brooks will entertain all day on the twenty-sixth with a dinner dance in the old-fashioned way at 3711 Convent street, where a merry time is to be given her friends and the guests of the family, which has been an annual custom for years. .. Robert Thos. Moore, a suit, hat and shoes, nuts and fruit; Della and Henrietta Beasley, shoes, hats, dresses, books, fruit, nuts, etc.; Rosa Lee Hammond-Ford, coat, set of furs, rocker, broom, shoes and hat. .. The Georgia Hall kindergarten will have a New Year's tree by the Mothers' Club for the thirty-six tots. It is to be called the Tree of Knowledge, and will be loaded with good cheer for all the tots of the school and other good girls and boys of the city. .. Alice Kennon and Haynes Stanley, hosiery, doll, cap pistol, books and an assortment of nuts, fruit and candies; Esterlene Sanders, raincoat, blue serge dress, sweater, vanity box, hosiery, ribbon, doll bed, diamond ring; Willie, Robert and Henry Blocker, bicycles, hosiery, suits, gowns, shoes, underwear, nuts, fruit, candies; Minnie, Mae and J. A. May's letter was too big for The Freeman to handle; N. B. Hill, Juanita Heflin and Francetta Hill failed to write; so did the Briscoe sisters, the daughter and son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Williams were late with their letter. But old Santa Claus informs The Freeman representative that the Tipps and Williams and the Ashford children would not be neglected in the Queen City along with the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gordon. Harold, Ida, Mae and Ernest Thomas wish old Santa to stop at their home so that they could get everything, as they are to be supplied abundantly. Charlie Noble Watkins, doll, fire outfit; Rose Moore Thomas, just some money; Stonewall Lowery, a flying Mercury, with electric horn and lights. .. Mesdames Louis Adams, Mary Burnett, Martha Whittaker, J. H. Hutchinson, Gertrude Matthews, Mary White, Bertha Watt, members and others of the G. L. P. S. Club, wish all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. They will entertain lavishly during the holidays at the residence of some of their members. .. Mr. Felix Moore, the doorman for the second floor of the Majestic theater, is a young man of sterling qualities. He has held the position five years, which is a credit to himself and the race. He is kind and courteous to all who go there. .. Hon. J. M. Mosely is up after a week's illness. .. Mr. H. J. Crooms has been laid up with a wrenched back for three weeks at 2606 Cochran street. .. The crew of waiters and cooks at the new Live Oak, Mecca No. 1 and 2, the Bryan, New Orleans, De Luxe and other places, buy and read this paper weekly. Why is it that more teachers, preachers, lawyers, doctors and a few other professional men can not find time to read it? We have a large number, but we want the others also. Now is the time to become interested in good live issues, and The Freeman sure has them every week. So see Griffin or phone him. .. Mrs. H. W. Scott is up. .. Mrs. J. A. Calhoun is up and will spend Christmas in Herne, Tex., visiting. Several prominent citizens have planned to spend Christmas at various points, but say the times forbade them being published just now. Let me know by having your money ready in the week of January 1, Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Readers, for the new year's money is now due. We thank you in advance and hope you, one and all, will help us more in the new year to greater success than in the past. Make The Freeman a household word in every home and business place. Help talk it up among the people and it will boost you to the world if you let it. .. Mr. Samuel Tally, once a Dallasite but now residing in Chenute, Kans., was the guest of friends at his old home, Mrs. Sam B. Miller and family, 3711 Convent street. He met a large number of old friends while here. .. We call your special attention to the advertisers in The Freeman for this and other times. Go there and get your needs supplied, for they will treat you right. .. The various churches have planned to have special exercises during the holidays and a royal treat is in store for one and all who may attend them. Several big turkey dinners are planned for holiday week among those who can best afford it. .. The crime wave continues in Dallas and hold-ups are growing. .. The unemployed are in the limelight and looking for work to open up soon. .. Now is the time to buy and read The Freeman. Pay your poll tax now. Don't wait until the rush. January 31 is the last day, so be a man.

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JACKSONVILLE, ILL.

(By Nellie Early, 565 Sharp St.)

Miss Clara Davis, of South Kosciusko street, royally entertained the Primrose Club Wednesday, December 2, at her home in honor of her 27th birthday. An excellent supper was served.

The Young Married Peoples' Club met December 3 with Mrs. Walter Patterson on West Morgan street and was royally entertained by Mrs. John Norton.

The Friday Art Club met December 4 with Mrs. Mary Banks, of North Diamond street.

Mrs. Wm. Wright, of North Cox street, has a neat carpet weaving apartment.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Taylor were the guests at an excellent dinner November 30 at the home of Mrs. Alice Early.

Ruth Yates, of Clarksville, Mo., has returned home from a pleasant visit with Miss Stella Johnson, of South Mauraisterre street.

Mr. Lonnie Hall, formerly of this city, now of Litchfield, Ill., and Miss Mabel Claypool were married recently at Litchfield, Ill. Mr. Hall is an efficient table waiter there and is the son of Mrs. Elizabeth Hall, of South Lurton street.

Mrs. Annie Sutton, of South Lurton street, is slowly improving from her illness.

Mrs. Lizzie Hansbrough is some better now.

Mrs. Cecelia Brown, of Anna street, was delightfully entertained at an excellent dinner November 29 at the residence of Mrs. Sarah Bell on Ashland avenue.

Ruth Yates, of Clarksville, Mo., was the guest of Miss Stella Johnson, of South Mauraisterre street.

A very pleasant party was given recently at Mrs. Charles Reed's residence on Anna street. All had a delightful time.

MERIDIAN, MISS.

Special to The Freeman.

A big mass meeting was held at the First Congregational church Sunday, Nov. 29th. Addresses commenced at 3 o'clock p. m. Here are the names of the white gentlemen that spoke: Mr. Cliff Williams, of the city who has always been a helping hand to the colored people of the city, and Rev. H. Paul Douglass, secretary of the American Missionary Association of New York; Mr. H. A. Atkinson and others, with Dr. W. W. Lucus, principal speaker. This is a movement to help all of the colored people of Meridian. The first step was to organize and arrange a special place for the little children to be cared for while mothers are at work or out for short visits. The children are in the care of a good nurse till the mother returns. The second step that we see to is that we have better school houses, more careful school teachers, better dwelling houses and improve our way of living in our community. It is time for us to look upon ourself more—better as a race. We also organized a social service commission, which will meet next Sunday at 3 o'clock p. m.

Here is the list of the men who attended the pastor's installation that was held at St. Paul's Baptist church of Electric Mill, Miss., December 2, 3, 4 and 5: Rev. L. S. Lee, pastor of New Hope Baptist church and also moderator of Second New Hope and Meridian Association; Rev. J. T. Flinn, vice moderator of Second New Hope and Meridian Association; Prof. G. M. Reese, who is principal of the Meridian Pastor's Seminary. They reported having had a nice time.

Malina J. Gillespie, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Gillespie, is very sick at this writing.

Mr. Neal McCaskrel, of Mobile, Ala., is in the city, the guest of his niece, and formerly Mrs. W. T. Gillespie, of 620, 33d avenue.

Mrs. Henry Harris, of Hattiesburg, Miss., was called to the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Hettie Twettey, on the 26th of November, at Macon, Miss., and on her return home she stopped off in the city and was the guest of her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Napoleon Mason, of 19th avenue and 14th street.

The friends of Mr. Louis Watts, who suffered a slight stroke of paralysis in Little Rock, Ark., will be pleased to know that he is improving at his old home in Meridian, Miss.

When in the city and feel like reading a race paper call at the Howdard drug store and buy a Freeman.

Dear reader of the Freeman, remember that the price of the Freeman is $1.00 per year, if you get your subscription in before Jan. the 1st. Any information you want to know about this matter see Wm. T. Gillespie, agent.

TERRE HAUTE, IND.

(By Henry Stone.)

Mr. George Hucle, of North 13 1-2 street, were called away to Chicago to see his sister, Mrs. Susan Bronsom, who is seriously ill. .. Mrs. Mary Anderson, of 3005 N. 13 1-2 street, has been very sick but is slightly improving. .. Mrs. Sylvia Patterson, of North 14th street, also was called to Chicago to see Mrs. Bronsom, who is a close friend of Mrs. Patterson. .. Mrs. Anna May Sharper, of Henderson, Ky., is stopping on North 22d street with her mother, Mrs. Ida Demming. .. It was rumored that Miss Bettie Valentine, formerly of Terre Haute, Ind., died suddenly in Chicago. No other reports have been received since. .. Mr. Monroe Rapier, of North 22d street, was called suddenly Sunday to St. Louis, Mo., to the bedside of his stepfather, Mr. Joe Williams, who is seriously ill at 2204 Chestnut street. .. Dr. A. L. Cabell had a narrow escape for his life Monday night at 7th street and Wabash avenue with his machine. He was going east on Wabash avenue in his electric auto, when Mr Beasley was coming south with a party in a large touring car when they collided, striking the light electric machine about the front. Both of the machines were damaged. Dr. A. L. Cabell received several cuts about the face and smashing the two front wheels on Cabell's machine and breaking the front glass. The damage to the other machine was slight, being so much more heavier. .. Mr. Jeff Lyles has purchased a small farm south of Princeton, Ind., and moved to it Saturday. .. Miss Letha Roberts and Miss Anna Cooksey, of North Terre Haute, took dinner with Mrs. Anna Clay Simpson on Spruce street Thursday. .. Mrs. Lillie Edwards and son, James Arthur Edwards, spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Anna J. Russell, of North 13 1-2 street. .. Mr. Edward Morgan, of 2240 Tippecanoe street, returned home Sunday evening from Markletree, Ark., where he has been on a hunting trip. There were ten in the party. They killed several deer. .. Mr. Morgan reported an excellent time during their stay and were very tired when they returned. .. Mr. J. H. Horshaw and Mr. Dewey Cecil, of Cairo, Ill., are visiting friends at 2431 3d avenue. .. The Rev. Brutino, of the First Baptist church, is expecting to spend Christmas at his home in Cadiz, Ky.

EARLINGTON, KY.

Rev. J. J. Redia, Grand Master of the Mosaic Templar of America for the State of Kentucky, was in this section last week lecturing. He was at the A. M. E. Zion church, Madisonville, Tuesday night and at Earlington Wednesday night at the colored M. E. church. .. Prof. J. W. Martin, president of Adkinson College, was in the city Wednesday, the 12th, a few moments on business. .. Miss Viola Hayes, teacher of the public school, has been ill for several days and has been at Adkinson College with her brother, Prof. Hayes. Miss Neva Waters, daughter of Mr. Albert Waters, has charge of her class while she is absent. .. Mr. J. A. Watson, of Madisonville, was in the city Tuesday of last week on business. .. Mrs. Lucy Bankhead, of Springfield, Tenn., was the guest of Mrs. Mary Clark on Cemetery street last week. .. Mrs. B. L. Teague, of Madisonville, was in the city a few days last week on business. .. Willis Sisk left Saturday for Hanson to spend several days at the home of his father, Mr. George Sisk. See W. M. Sisk about subscribing for The Freeman while the special rate is on. Only a few days more.

GULFPORT (MISS.) NEWS.

(By The Freeman Bureau, 2902 Thirteenth St. P. O. Box 538.)

Mr. J. C. Smith, the well-known and trusted employee of Jones Brothers Drug Co., was called to Merrill, Miss., last week on account of the serious illness of his sister, who is much improved at present.

Mr. Archie Lightfoot, the popular tonsorial artist, has accepted the agency for the National Waiters' Guide. This magazine is the only one in its line and is doing a great work in the interest of the colored waiters throughout this country.

Mr. Henry Hayden, one of our best known and highly respected citizens, is the business manager of the M. & H. News Bureau. Mr. Hayden is eminently qualified for the position, and with his hustling ability we hope he will aid greatly in making the enterprise a success.

The Merry Makers' Social Club is one of our latest and liveliest organizations and numbers among its membership some of Gulfport's most popular smart set leaders. The following are the officers: Mr. Eugene Jackson, president; Mrs. Luvenia McAllister, vice-president; Mrs. Minnie Miles, treasurer; Miss Cora Lane, secretary. Their meetings are held every Wednesday night.

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The many friends of Mr. Frank H. Harvey, head waiter at the Battle House, Mobile, Ala., will welcome the news of his return to the Great Southern Hotel this season as head waiter. Mr. Harvey's reputation as a head waiter is known throughout the country and he has served at some of America's best hotels. His recall to the head waitership of the Great Southern the coming season indicates his splendid fitness and the general satisfaction he gave the guests and management in the same position last season.

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NEWS OF SHREVEPORT, LA.

The famous Caddo Orchestra of Shreveport, La., made a very pleasant trip to Monroe, La., week of the 30th. Messrs. Geo. McDonald, Geo. J. Williams and Chas. J. Harris have been on the sick list for several days, but would not give over to bad feeling, and made the trip, which seemed to have bettered their conditions, as they are all looking better. When in Monroe they gave a dance for our colored friends at Tango Park, which seemed to have been a treat of their lives as the rest of the week was for white dances and entertainments. The next day the orchestra was invited to a spread, given in honor of the Caddo Orchestra, by Miss Vergie Blackman, of Shreveport, La., and Mr. John Frost, Jr., of Monroe, La., who had all a heart would desire to eat and drink. The Alabama Minstrels No. 1 played Monroe December 2, and Messrs. Vernie Johnson, son Shaw, Harry Walker and others of the company were guests of the Caddos, who showed their respects by rendering some of their latest dance hit and concert numbers, winding up on the "blues," as it was appropriate after so many different kinds of drinks had been served; and believe me, what it takes to know how to spit the "blues" out in so many different styles, the Caddo Orchestra happened to have it.

The Echo Orchestra remained in Shreveport to fill engagements and take care of situations in absence of the Caddos, who wish all of their friends in and out of the profession a Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year. Headquarters, 835 Texas avenue, Shreveport, La.

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A WONDERFUL BOOK.

Prof. Charles Alexander, 502 Thorpe building, Los Angeles, Cal., has written a most remarkable book. The title is "Battles and Victories of Allen Allensworth," and while it was produced at an expenditure of over two thousand dollars per thousand copies and ought to sell for $3 per copy, this book has been put on the market at $1.50. All readers of this journal who will send P. O. money order to Prof. Charles Alexander, 502 Thorpe building, Los Angeles, Cal., at once will get a copy of the first edition at $1.50. This wonderful book contains over 400 pages of the most absorbing historical, philosophical and biographical matter ever before published in a single volume. It tells of the rise of an humble man of the Negro race to the highest rank of any other office of his race in the United States Army and of how he founded a flourishing Negro town in California, together with a history of slavery, the philosophy of the degrading institution, the freedom of the Negro and his progress in the past fifty years. It is a grand good book to send to a friend for Christmas. No gift would be more highly valued. Send for a copy at once.

News of the Nation's Capital.

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number of engagement in the South, enroute to New Orleans. Miss Davis is making such a hit abroad that her return to Washington will be delayed many months yet.

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The Magnolia Elks Club is to give a "grand winter gathering" Tuesday evening, the 15th, at the residence of Mrs. Clara Gardiner, 443 Delaware avenue, S. W. Mrs. Daisy W. Henson is president of the club.

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The forty-eighth anniversary of the Mt. Zion M. E. church at Linden, Md., is being celebrated, under the direction of the pastor, Rev. Robert A. Hart. The exercises, very elaborate in character, began last Sunday and will continue until December 8.

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Mr. Melvin J. Chisum, of Baltimore, president of the National Negro Press Association, will be in town today to discuss press matters with the local newspaper men. Mr. Chisum will make an important announcement soon.

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The scarcity of society events among the leading white people here is reacting to the disadvantage of our colored modistes and seamstresses who have usually enjoyed a large and lucrative partronage among them during the fashionable season. Because of the general business depression, "milady" is foregoing many of her customary functions and is consequently getting along with fewer of the gowns and creations that bring the dollars to the coffers of the high-class dressmaker. Waiters, caterers, hairdressers and reception-helpers in general also feel the stress of the times and are anxious for the better day to come.

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Miss Lyllyn Browne and Mr. William DeMont, after nearly a year in stock companies at Jacksonville, Fla., and Mobile, Ala., are expected to spend their Xmas holidays in the city. They are to re-enter vaudeville.

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J. Leubrie Hill's Darktown Follies in "My Friend from Kentucky," are drawing big houses all this week at the Howard Theater. S. H. Dudley and his famous mule, "Patrick," as extra added attractions, are "going big," as usual.

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Manager Lew W. Henry is back on the job at Dudley's popular U street theater, and Miss Desdemona Barnett, one of the best cashiers in the business, is seeing to it that the crowds get tickets and a fascinating smile.

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Mr. Frederico DeBotts, who has been doing "straights" and "heavies" for the past three months with the Martin-Motley Stock Company at Dudley's, has joined hands with Miss Rosetta Shanks, the winsome soubrette of the company and will go out in vaudeville on the Dudley circuit, leaving Sunday night. They will make a clever singing and dancing team.

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Edgar Martin and Rosa Motley, with a reorganized stock company, now in their fourteenth wek of phenomenal success, are getting a fresh stock of laughs this week over their roaring farce, "When a Man Thinks He is Fooling a Woman, She is Fooling Him." Henry Jones and Edgar Martin have good comedy parts, Miss Motley and Miss Hilarie Friend appear in congenial roles as society matrons out on a quiet lark, and that neat singer and dancer, Charlie Hillman, new to this company, shows up to excellent advantage as the "gay chappie," and does a taking specialty act.

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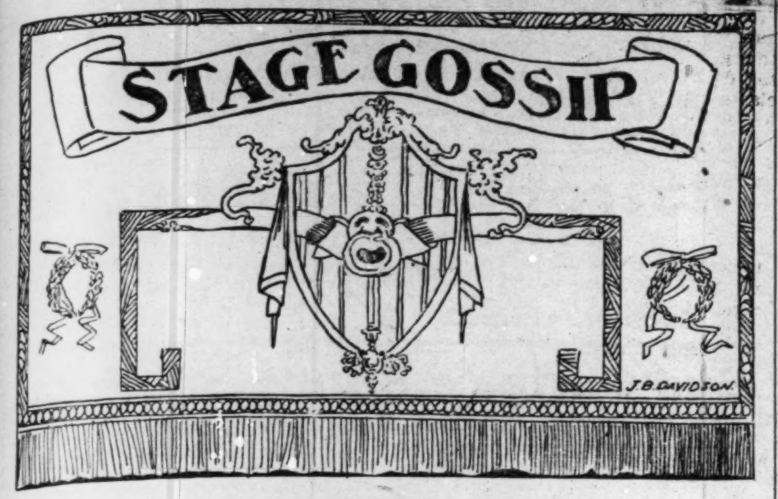

Miss Minnie Brown is in New York City.

Mary Adams (Little Bit) sends best regards to Billy King's Stock Co., Bess Brown and Billy Higgins.

Fiddler & Shelton at Kokomo and Peru, Ind., this week. They have signed up to team until April 1, 1918.

Sweetie May, wife of Butler May, String Beans, is at Cairo, Ill. She has the rheumatism, not being able to work for about four weeks.

Thomas A. Brooks and his Froliques of 1914, owing to change of booking, are at the Odean Theatre, Newark, N. J., with Philadelphia to follow.

Lamar Nelson, tuba player, enroute with Young Bros. Minstrels, sends best regards to Eugene Thompson, B. G. Grey and George Joseph. Eugene Thompson, write some time.

Robert C. White and his bunch of performers are in good health and at present are playing at the Old Glory theater, Moultrie, Ga., indefinitely.

Mr. C. C. Powell, writer and publisher of sheet music, with headquarters at Columbus, O., was in Indianapolis this week enroute to Kansas City, Mo., on business.

S. H. Gray and Ora Dunlop closed a successful engagement at Williams' theatre, Tulsa, Okla., and opened at Lyric theatre, Kansas City, Mo. Regards to all in and out of the profession.

Anderson and Miles are having success in their new act, "Queen of the Kitchen." Miss Miles, with her comedy, keeps the people in an uproar. They were held over at the Pekin theater, Norfolk, Va.

Elwood Johnson and Ernest Watts have closed with the Alabama Minstrels. They can be found at Monroe, La. Johnson has the orchestra. Watts is managing the Bison theatre. Address 1017 Washington street.

Viola Good, wife of Sam Good, the well-known performer, died December 13 at her home in Chicago. She was suddenly stricken with paralysis. She was formerly Viola Hunt of Indianapolis, where she has one sister.

John W. Dennis, formerly of Eiler's Minstrels, is taking a course of baths at Marlin, Texas. He is improving under the care of Dr. Dan Massington. He sends regards to R. O. Henderson, F. B. Wood, Allie Young and J. B. Norton.

Arthur E. Benjamin is still at the Dixie Theatre, Richmond, Va. Arthur Jr. says papa and I are preparing to have the finest Xmas we have ever had. Best regards to all in and out the profession. Read The Freeman and get wise.

Miss Magnolia Brown has been spending the past two weeks visiting with her partner, Miss Lula Lawson, at her country home, Belvidere, Ill. They will be at the Monogram theater, Chicago, this week. Booked solid on Dudley time the rest of the season.

S. A. Timberlake present "Down in Mississippi" under the direction of Prince Carcongo—Ponce De Leon. Schottische King is featured as the world's greatest colored dancer. Fifty Zouave Girls. Address 224 S. First street, Richmond, Va., or S. A. Timberlake, 107 E. Main street.

Miss Grayce Le'Cooke, an unusually clever young artist, is doing some effective cabaret work at a fashionable cafe in New York City, her home. She is considering some flattering offers to go on a tour in vaudeville. She was a star with Rogers and Creamer's Negro Players, producing "The Old Man's Boy."

and slack wire artist. has just closed a successful 40 weeks' engagement with the J. C. O'Brien Famous Georgia Minstrels. He is taking a much needed rest with friends and relatives at Lake Charles, La. Mr. Drew is also busy rehearsing a new juggling act. He will be assisted by Miss Lona M. Darnes. He is also rehearsing a high class magic act. He will have a repertoire of act juggling, slack wire and magic, with plenty of good singing. Watch for Drew & Darnes, the king and queen of novelty. Best regards to Leon, the magician. Jolley E. Davis, of Huntington's Minstrels, write me. All mail will reach me care Freeman or Voulevard theatre, Lake Charles, La.

NEWS FROM YOUNG BROTHERS' MINSTRELS.

This little minstrel show is doing fine in the state of Illinois; not a big one, but a first-class one. The show consists of only twenty people, all stars, no ham-fats. Mr. James Martin, the man with the big voice, is still featuring songs with the band. Miss Fields was called home a few days ago to mourn the loss of her mother. She will return in a few weeks. Mr. Arnett Nelson sends best regards to Happy Dudley, with the Crackerjack Amusement Co. Write some time. Mr. George Grey, our little trapdrummer, has been on the sick list for a few days; he is some better now. The bunch sends best regards to Clark & Clark, Harry and Lillie. Little Bit, say, why don't you write to me?—Mutt. Prof. Irvin Brown and his seven-piece orchestra please the audience with the latest rags. We don't care how much it snows or how bad the weather is, we pack the house just the same. Some show! The ghost fell down in Duquoin, Ill., and broke his leg, but he is walking on crutches. The doctor says he will be strong enough to walk alone Saturday. Why should we worry and eat snow sandwiches for hot biscuits. Mr. John T. Long of Long & Hampton says, Hello, Lem Clayton. Miss Agnes P. Hampton says, Hello, Marie Hawkins, of Littlejohn's Greater Show.

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AMONG THE THEATERS AT PITTSBURGH.

(By Baylum.)

The bill at the Star theater on Wylie avenue has been presenting some very good bills for the past few weeks. Last week's bill included Peate and Hayes. These clever performers won new laurels there. Also on the bill was Baby Jim, and his funny antics were highly appreciated by the patrons. This week's bill is composed of the Cuban Nightingales. This trio is headed by Miss Effie King. Her male impersonation is particularly fascinating, and every member of this act is a big scream. They were given an ovation last Monday night. The S. R. O. sign was in evidence during the entire night. The Langston brothers made a decided hit with their saxophones.

Miss Susie Sutton was to have played here this week, but for some reason the date was canceled and she will return at a later date. She is a favorite here.

Ethel Whitman and her pickaninnies will appear at the Miles theater early in January. During Christmas the writer understands that a number of the local theaters will offer colored actors on their bills.

The bill at the Lincoln theater is very good this week.

ST. LOUIS THEATRICAL NOTES.

(By Herbert T. Meadows.)

The pre-holiday program at the Booker Washington Theatre consists of three really meritorious acts. Each is well staged and the patrons are enjoying a good show.

Queen Dora in her facinating electric dances, is a rare and an artistic treat. Her serpentine dance, embellished with its character reflections, is both beautiful and classy. In the fire dance, where she appears to be consumed by the flames, she is marvelous. Queen Dora is the only colored actress doing this dance and she is scoring a big hit this week.

The Roys have an excellent singing and dancing act full of witty jokes and original dialogue. Both are good dancers and sing well. They are being rewarded with plenty of applause for their classy work.

Berry & Washington close the bill and repeat their former success here. Berry goes big in his female impersonations and puts over some very artistic dancing. Washington makes a hit singing and dancing. Their dialogue, "Picking the Winner," is humorous, and they close with a dance number that is lively and full of ginger.

The famous B. W. Orchestra continues to be a feature attraction with its rendition of classy overtures.

Tom Turpin, the well known showman, musician and composer, is arranging to take a vaudeville company out on the road that it is said will be a new departure from the old line of stage performances.

THE ALPHA THEATRE, CLEVELAND, OHIO.

The Alpha Theatre, of Cleveland, Ohio, is still on the map. We are not having vaudeville at present, but are running some of the best pictures on the market. Our specialty is our orchestra, with dainty little Miss Dimples Furgerson at the piano and Mr. Adolphus Moris Truly with the traps. When they set on "The Carolina Fox Trot" it is really peaches. They simply stop the pictures, that's all. Thanking you for your valuable space.

THE LYRIC THEATER COMPANY, KANSAS CITY, MO.

We are still doing the business in Kansas City. We have a very good company. At each theater in the city and also the theaters out of town we only work vaudeville, and they are doing fine. The company is as follows: Byrd & Byrd, Scott & Walton, Baker & Walton, English & English, Bessie Brown, Laura Smith, Babe Brown, Sam Russel, Reed Corner, Gray & Dunlap. The company is preparing for a big Christmas bill and sends regards to all friends. The many friends of Mr. Marion Brooks of this company feel as though they have lost one of their family. Mr. Brooks was well liked in Kansas City because he was always a gentleman in every way. The entire company sympathizes with his dear little wife. We know that is a debt we all must pay.

Chicago Weekly Review

By Sylvester Russell.

CABIRIA AT THE STATES.

D'Annunzio's Magnanimous Photo Play Spectacle Draws a Quality Audience.

The risk of a most costly production was something to be looked at when Manager Maurice Dalkin ventured to give the colored race the same thing that rich white people get in classique pictures, and at the same time. It was a wonderful age of angry gods and slave mastodons and mighty feats of strength, battling with waves, overcoming gigantic obstructions, fighting mobs and tearing down dynasties that revealed the true merit in the visionary monstrosity of a wonderful picture drama. The presentation which took place last Saturday, December 12th, was the greatest picture ever given in the States Theatre, and at a cost of 25 cents admission, and it came directly from the Illinois Theatre, where the prices range higher. To have seen the Temple of Molock alone could have convinced even a weak minded adonis that wonderful things were wrought by D'Annunzio, the great picture drama author of spectacularity. No grand opera scene upon the stage could have ever equalled the siege on the wall and the wonderful back dive of mortals repulsed. There were also marvelous long distance dives from a rocky mountain pinacle to the sea. The different scenes were announced in poetic stanza. The sinking of ships on fire and camels crossing the desert and a glance into the walls of the hostile city were good enough for all who hunger and thirst for romance. The incidental music from an orchestra of twelve pieces, under the direction of Edward W. Bailey, Jr., was positively a feature. Among the players were Will Tyler, Saint Claire White, C. B. Lumkins, Oscar Holden, Ed Williams, Hallie Smith, Jesse Dockett, G. E. Dulf, A. Franklin, George Barley and Charles Mitchell.

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Abyssinian Trio at the Grand.

Will Green Imitates Bert Williams.

Listening ears were not deceived when they harkened to the beautiful voices and tune blended harmony of the Abyssinian trio. Maude Brown, the greatest colored mezzo soprano; Gertrude Jones, soprano, and Oliva Ellison, contralto, in W. A. Kelly's African love song and the "Moon" song, were all heavily applauded with encores. Will Green, a good dancer who imitates Bert Williams in white face, was acceptable. Johnson, Howard & Lestette were good acrobats. Clairmont Brothers operated a revolving ladder, and Leffingwell & Gale, in "The Sleep Walker," a ranting comedy of aimless value, attracted. The second half of last week had Autum & Vail, good entertainers The Four Charles were salubrious. Walker & Morton, also a good musical act, and Martha Russell in "On and Off the Stage," was clever. S. H Dudley, the noted ex-comedy star will be the Christmas week's attraction.

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Cross & Lemonier at the New Monogram.

St. Claire White, Violinist, Locates.

Tom Cross and Tom Lemonier in one of their best specialties. were a good humored attraction. Emma Frederick, a well dressed singing soubret, with a good voice, made good. Elsie Stirk (white) a fine natural double voice speaker and a good trapeze artist, pleased. Brown & Lawson were clever as a sister team. Miss Brown was a cute boy and Lulu Lawson was sweet and pretty. Miss Saint Claire White, the accomplished violinist who has been engaged for the orchestra here, played two short solos from the pit, between the picture intermission, one a classic number, and Clarence Jones, the orchestra leader-composer, "One Wonderful Night." The flashlight was thrown upon the great artist as she drew forth the strains of melody with such sublimity as had never been heard before in the house, and the audience went wild with applause. It was magical but pathetic to wisdom. Now the vision is past, the spell is over. Sad dream; sweet dream. I'll say no more. Good-bye.

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Criswell & Marshall At the Monogram.

Ora Criswell, the bride, and Charley Marshall, the groom, linked together in a stage act, was novel in a way We saw Marshall struggle to be an old man and then we saw him look pretty, only his face was blacked. Ora, who had her own reason for framing up the act in blackface. Jimmie did all the comedy and everybody laughed, as usual, and then they danced "Virginia," and the storm was over. Frankie Barton amused with her black Periots and, and Wagner & Diggs, a white act that is hardly variet yand seldom a drama, froze itself. We have a full orchestra here again but its late. Sad fate.

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Atlas Theatre and Other Picture Houses.

Business has been on the increase at the Atlas Theatre. "Traffic in Souls" will be next Saturday's attraction, beginning with a matince. Sunday will have "The Arctic Hunt." The Lincoln had "Life's Shop Window" with a full orchestra. The Washington was well filled to see "Under the Black Robe." The Star had "When the Gods Destroy." This house needs a good manager. The Phoenix did a big business in "Indian Wars." Next Sunday will be "Lena Rivers." The Phoenix orchestra consists of Hattie May Gloster, pianist-leader; Blanche Logan, assistant pianist; Paul Wyer, violinist; James Tate, cornet, and Andrew James, drums. The Fountain has "Fedora" as a special feature.

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Stage Notes and Stroll News.

Hilbert Earle Stewart gave a piano recital at Bethel A. M. E. church last Thursday, which was highly spoken of.

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Kid Thomas, of Thomas & Ward, was not and has not been arrested at any time on account of the recent fracas, in which he had pawned his jewelry for bail.

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Harry C. Jenkins states that the stock company at the Franklin

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Jack Armstrong has purchased the Elmwood, the largest buffet and cafe in Chicago, formerly owned by Russell & Dago, at 3142-44 State street. Sherman Blackwell and Jack Davis are in the buffet. Tuesday, December 22nd, will be a special souvenir day. There will be a selected program by the orchestra and entertainers.

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William Howerton is an enthusiastic booster of Al Russell's candidacy for Alderman of the Second Ward.

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Charles E. Worthington, the artist photographer of 4744 State street, had to take the Atlas Theatre picture, seen in this issue, on a stormy day.

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Frank Roquett, of Klawans' buffet, is one white boy who has been a record breaker for popularity and always on his job as a creditable example.

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Matt Marshall and Billy Cumby left last Sunday evening for Canada on the Western vaudeville time. They opened Monday at Fort Williams, with Winnepeg and other cities to follow.

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Mule Bradford is booked from Dietrick's office to open at Blue Island in one week, with Benton Harbor to follow.

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Happy Bouregarde, whom I met in the La Verda Cafe, states that he is financing the Billy Ward date book project. Jack Adams, friend of Jack Johnson, who had just returned from Liverpool, was also in the party. He gave out an interview of a letter he received, stating that Jack had sailed for South America, from thence to Brazil and Argentine, where money is plentiful, which has already been published.

NOTES FROM THE VICTORIA THEATRE, BRUNSWICK, GA.

The Victoria Theatre reopened under new management December 11th. Mr. Geo. Barrett and Mr. John Buggs, managers, are giving the public the best shows possible, consisting of feature vaudeville acts and motion pictures. .. Mr. Silas Green, our stage manager and producer, seems to know just what the people want and how to give it to them. The bill the opening week was red hot from start to finish. .. Mr. W. F. Matthews, the boneless wonder, was first on the bill and went big. Mr. Sam Jones, the energetic monologueist, set 'em wild, singing that funny song, "Traveling Man." Then came Prince Ali Mona, the high-class Hindoo entertainer, assisted by Mrs. Emma Barrett, featuring Oriental magic and mental telegraphy. His new hypnotic dream, "Asrah," in which he makes Mrs. Barrett float in empty space then disappear while sleeping in midair, held the audience spellbound, while his fire-eating act brought down the house.

Green & Green, Silas and Ada, closed the bill with singing, dancing and talking. Mr. Green's sweet voice won her audience, singing "Chesapeake Bay," while Silas Green's comedy kept the house in an uproar. His own original song, "Two-Peace Skirt," was a riot, taking four encores. Our five-piece orchestra is furnishing music for the vaudeville that is hard to beat. D. R. Hull, leader, first violin; Miss Lillian Dorsen, piano; Alonzo Williams. cornet; Eddie Alford, trombone; Cleve Doughlass, trap drums.

Hello to all friends in and out of the profession. Members of the Brinker Stock Company, write.

THE LATE MARION BROOKS' BRIGHT STAGE CAREER.

(By Sylvester Russell.)

According to Irvin C. Miller, the late Marion Brooks was born in Dallas, Texas, and was a little over 40 years of age. He was first identified with the Dumas Dramatic club. His greatest ambition was to become noted as an actor, in which vocation he was an ardent student who was over-serious. He made his regular professional debut in "Damon and Pythias" at New Orleans, La., with Charles Hunter, his long associated partner, and as Brooks and Hunter they first became known in theatrical circles at the Elysium theater. They also appeared in Panama. With J. Ed. Green, Brooks was chosen as assistant producer at Mott's Pekin theater, Chicago, Ill. He was also with the Bijou Stock Company at Montgomery, Ala., and once was associated with Irvin C. and Flournoy Miller. Later, when J. Ed. Green formed a circle of theaters including the Little Grand, Chester and Monogram theaters, Chicago, and two in Cincinnati, Brooks was the manager located in Chicago. He also went to Jacksonville, Fla., as producer for Manager Frank Crawford. He later formed the Brooks, Crawford and Owens Company and met with success in Kansas City. The most pretentious effort of his career was as late manager of the new Lincoln theater of Cincinnati. His last appearance in Chicago was last year, when he appeared in "On the Border" at the Monogram theater. Brooks, who was very popular personally will be missed by a host of friends everywhere.

AT THE NEW CROWN GARDEN THEATRE

Hellens & Austin, the Clement Sisters, Davenport & Davenport, Jones & Jones.

Tim E. Owsley, Prop.

The sudden descent of frigid weather got in its bluff on the patrons of the Crown Garden the first part of this week—the crowds were slim. But as the thermometer lifted the audience began to pick up.

The bill is something of a mixture, new and old teams. All good, but some better.

The Clement Sisters.

The Clement Sisters are brand new people to this section. They are a young pair of girls from the West, where they have been playing white time. From all appearance these girls are trying to get away from the beaten paths. This is shown in their closing number, especially when they do the "Temptation." The number is allegorical or symbolical, giving substance to a situation which is more or less spiritual. One of the sisters is dressed in male attire, red, the other as a female, in white—sin and virtue. The costumes are pretty and complete. The work is ambitious. The girls are brave in that they attacked it. They made good, and in the years to come they will be great if they keep well to the work.

Their first number, "Back to Dixie Land," is full of dash and in line with the other effort to do good things. The costumes are of the best seen at the Crown Garden. Their jokes are refreshing. Carrie is good in her comedy; she puts her jokes over in good style.

Carrie sings, "Wonder Where My Loving Man Is Gone" with a good voice and good expression. They double in "Crooney Melody," singing it according to their own arrangement. This is one of the biggest hits.

Mamie sings "If I Had Someone Like You at Home, I Wouldn't Want to Go Out." She puts this at someone in the audience, which means lots of fun at the individual's expense.

The Clements have the essentials for great work. They have mapped out on a grand scale and they live up to it nicely.

Hellens & Austin.

Hellens & Austin is a new team and a young team. Austin is a younger brother of Buster, of Rockpile & Buster. He is a good one. His makeup gets him over at once. When his lines come up to his eccentric acting he will move up among the topnotchers.

Hellens is a Crown Garden favorite. He is well known for his baseball stunt when he takes off a well known bunch of A. B. C. players. He does a dance in buck time in the meanwhile. He goes big in this work.

They open up with "Chesapeake Bay," a breezy singing number, making a hit at once by their makeup and eccentric steps. Hellens sings "Ido." Austin puts over "Old Fall River Line," with an eccentric dance. They close with "Floating Down the River." All of their work is well received.

Davenport & Davenport.

This team opens up with "Mandaley," sung lively with steps and movements in keeping. Miss Davenport believes in costumes; she looks fitting, and her singing and acting are just as good. She ranks well as a vaudeville singer. She has voice, soul, expression, a trio of qualities that make for good singing. She sings "Everything He Does Just Pleases me."

The male Davenport is one of the crack talkers among colored comedians. He not only rattles it off; he gets out good ones. He's a good all-around performer.

Jones & Liston.

This team is in their second week at this playhouse. Jones is inimitable; no one can do him. We said last week that he was funny every minute: it is all right. The more the man is studied the more it is discovered that he is a stage genius. In his great accomplishment his work appears effortless; that is, without method. But in the end it is all different. He is naturally a very funny man.

Miss Liston has more talent than that for singing the "Blues" as much as that class of song is liked. She dances most gracefully, gliding over the stage in a most fascinating way. She is another one who knows just what to do to please.

They open up with "Malinda's Wedding Day,,, a happy, tuneful melody, as they sing it. Their "Shuey" song is another happy song hit. Miss Liston sings "Want a Little Loving Sometime." Jones sings "I Might Look Foolish, But I Have Got Good Common Sense." They open with "A Ragtime Dream."

GOOD SHOW AT QUEEN THEATRE, CHATTANOOGA, TENN.

The week of Dec. 7th ushered into the pleasant little Queen Theatre at Chattanooga, Tenn., one of the best bills ever seen in the city.

Nellie Edwards, full of ginger and looking like a fashion-plate, opened the bill on Monday night, but was such a hit she was changed to third the rest of the week. It is needless to say that she is good, for her work is so well known that all readers of The Freeman know it. She was booked for two weeks, but has been retained by Mgr. Reevin for a third week's engagement. She sends regards to friends.

Second on the bill were Seals & Fisher, who scored their usual riot. "Baby" Seals, with his inimitable style of comedy, kept the house in convulsions with his funny antics, and his dainty little partner, Miss Fisher, was compelled to respond to several encores to her song. They are booked solid and then some. They say, watch the Xmas issue of The Freeman.

Following Seals & Fisher was Ed. Love, blackface comedian, who registered a nice hit. He has a spicy line of talk and his song was an original one, composed by himself. He has been held over for another week also. He says, hello friends and knockers, mind your business.

Closing the olio was Annie St. Claire, who went remarkably well, considering the spot she had, and also the fact that this is her fourth time in Chattanooga, and she is still "kickin' 'em." "Up Today and Down Tomorrow" scored as usual while "Teasing Brown" was a laughing hit. Miss St. Claire will be seen this season with George Jones' Famous Entertainers at Palm Beach, Fla., after which she will retire permanently from the stage. It is said that Cupid and a certain young man will have something to do with it, but far be it from us to meddle! We'll see! We'll see!!

Closing the show was a screamingly funny afterpiece entitled "The Baddest Man in Town," produced by Baby Seals. The audience howled with laughter at the funny witicisms of little Miss Fisher, who got almost as many laughs as the comedians.

Mgr. Reevin is a prince of good fellows, notwithstanding reports to the contrary. There have been a few disagreeable performers here, who have tried to run over him, but in each instance facts have shown that they were in the wrong, and were knocking the house through pure "cussedness." Performers, do not hesitate to write Mr. Reevin, as he will certainly pay you what he promises. Everybody here is happy, and the ghost is walking regular. Regards to all.

POWELL & POWELL TO APPEAR IN NEW ACT.

Powell & Powell, Claud and Lula, will begin their vaudeville career anew in a short while after retiring for some months on account of illness. Mr. and Mrs. Powell are working on a new act the title of which they will announce later. It is useless to mention their stage ability, as all managers know them.

NEW YORK NEWS.

(By Billie E. Jones.)

Don't forget when in New York City to visit the Cabaret Show, 216 5th avenue. The Entertainers, the best in their line of work, who are now introducing the popular song hits at Harlem's favorite amusement place, are Miss Cora Lucas, Miss Flossie Turner, Miss Mary Kelly and Miss Mamie Brown. Many Christmas greetings to Mr. Elwood Knox and all friends in and out of the profession. Many new novelties in the entertaining line will be introduced during the season. Wishing you a merry Christmas and a happy new year. R. Roundtree, manager; F. B. Woods, proprietor.

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At the Libya Restaurant, 115 West 131st St., Miss Cora Cross and Miss Lillian Rose are cleaning up in their latest songs and instrumental music. Patrons from far and near come to hear these wonderful artists. The question is now: Which is the most wonderful of the Libya, Cross & Rose or service and food. The management has annexed No. 117 in addition to No. 151 W. 131st street and wishes to announce to all that they are ready to care for all. Owing to the overflow on Sundays and holidays more room was necessary and the management has spared no expense in fitting up one of the most up-to-date dining halls between the Atlantic and Pacific. We ask you when in New York to call and give us the once over. Wishing you a merry Christmas and a happy New Year, respectfully the management.

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Billie E. Jones, one of the most popular versatile singers in the East on the vaudeville stage, and also Freeman representative, residing at 228 Prince street, Brooklyn, N. Y., possessing a baritone voice of remarkable sweetness and range, is now featuring the song hits, "In the Hills of Kentucky," "It's Too Late Now," "I'm Not Ashamed of You, Molly," "Way Down East," the march song hit, "It's Going to be a Cold, Cold Winter" and "Girls, I'm Not Married, Get Busy." Wishing you all a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

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The New Crescent Cafe and Cabaret, conducted by Mr. Harry Griffen, 126 West 135th street, New York, is another one of Harlem's popular amusement places and has some great entertainers, singing all the Broadway song hits. Miss Mildred Creed, Mabel Turner, Mamie Hendricks and also the Philadelphia Trio, Bobby Lee, Eddie Jones and George Richards, in the late musical numbers. Ladies' souvenir night every week. We wish all in and out of the profession a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

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At Devon & Johnson's Cafe, 259 West 30th street, N. Y., which is one of the most popular places down town. The cabaret show is the talk of the town, presenting the best artists in the profession, who are Miss Lizzie Taylor and Clem Foster, one of the well known comedians, and Miss Lucy Banks. Visitors when in the city dont' fail to call and see a great cabaret show. The management wishes all a merry Christmas and a happy New Years. Yours, Chas. Devan.

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Leroy Wilkins Cafe and Cabaret, 220 5th avenue, New York, is one of the most popular places in the city and the home of the cabaret. The patrons are entertained nightly with the popular song hits as sung by well known artists—Tiny Ray, late of Darktown Follies, Miss Ethel Brown, Miss Eva Jackson, Miss Josephine Stevens at the piano; Mr. Howell Gardner; drums, Skiff and Farrell. The management wishes all a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

The Young Women's Colored Performers' Social League just organized last week. Miss Helen Taylor, president, 1 West 135th street, N. Y. All female performers wishing to join, full information can be obtained of the president. This Social League is the first of its kind in the city. Watch for the opening.

Winifred & Martin wishes all a merry Christmas and a happy New Year and states that they are the hit of the bills on the Proctor Circuit.

CLOSES TENTED SEASON.

Danny Thompson's Sunny Dixie Minstrels closed their tented season in Terrell, Tex. William Bryant, accompanied by William McCoy, of Louisville, Ky., left for their homes in Gallatin, Tenn., and were welcome visitors of Bryant's for two weeks. During that time receptions, etc., were given almost every other night.

Williams Bryant sends regards to all friends and says write him at 66-68 Fort street, Gallatin, Tenn.

OSWEGO, N. Y.

Mr. Thomas Carr and wife will be leaving Oswego on the 18th of December for Macon, Ga., to visit his parents. .. Archie Harmon and Harold Harding expect to spend Christmas in Syracuse, N. Y. .. Mr. Wade (East Side favorite) celebrated his 30th birthday at a party Monday night, December 5th. It was a great success... Call on Harold Harding when in Oswego. He keeps the Freeman.

TO MR. LEW HALL FROM THOS. A. BROOKS.

Mr. Lew Hall, Dear Sir—I read your notice in last week's Freeman and your criticism of my work with the Froliques of 1914 and I thank you very much. I am very much pleased to read such a nice write up and I appreciate same. I remain, thanking and wishing you a merry Xmas and a happy New Year.

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Richard & Pringle's Minstrels, Cashmere, Wash., December 21,; Leavenworth, 22; Monroe, 24; Everett, 25; Starwood, 26; Bellingham, 27.

F. C. Huntington's Minstrels, J. W. Wsst, Manager., Laurel, Miss., December 21; Meridian, 22; Quitman, 23; Mobile, Ala., 24-26.

Sunny South Co., Syd. H. Carter, Mgr., Lincoln Theater, Nashville, Tenn. Week of December 21.

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Seen and Heard while Passing

By Salem Tutt Whitney
With the Smart Set Co.

The following article, clipped from the Atlanta (Ga.) Constitution, recognized as the leading newspaper of the South, proves indubitably that segregation is not an effective palladium against disease; that nature's forces, more potent than the Negro, defies restriction, and as Dr. W. F. Brunner expresses it "crosses the race line with blithe impartiality."

Without Race or Flag.

"At the meeting of the American Public Health Association, at Jacksonville, Dr. William F. Brunner, health officer at Savannah, talked about the one destroyer in this world that has neither race nor flag, but that marches, fights, conquers and slays. It is the disease germ that has this unenviable distinction, and Dr. Brunner applied the philosophy specifically to the germ that, as The Constitution has often expressed it, "crosses the race line," in other words, the immemorial problem of trying to build up the health of the white race while neglecting or minimizing the health of the Negro race. The consequences are deadly. The Associated Press report covering Dr. Brunner's indictment reads:

> The greater death rate among Negroes than among members of the white race was emphasized in an address by Dr. Williams F. Brunner, health officer of Savannah, Ga. He suggested a commission to inquire into the sociological and sanitary conditions surrounding the Negro in his place of living.

The germ is the original pariah. Its hand is against everyone. It acknowledges no race or flag, but it preys on all races and invades the lands of all flags. In the case of the Negro, the principle is tragically illustrated. Right here in Atlanta, the germs of all manner of diseases cross the race line with blithe impartiality. Yet the indifferent person puts up the plea, "Am I my brother's keeper?" Perhaps not, if you want to put it on that ground. But carry it to its logical conclusion and what then?

The Negro woman who cooks your meals, or is maid in your house, very probably comes from an infected household. Your butler may have tuberculosis, may come from a tuberculosis-ridden home, where all precautions are ignored, for all you know. The clothes you wear are, for all you can prove, washed in a hovel where disease breeds, or at least where the environment is revoltingly insanitary. The talk of "segregation" as a cure for this condition is pitiful folly. You can not segregate the germ. Its work goes right on.

The contradiction is that these murderous fatteners of the disease and death rate can be abolished, and that within a comparatively short time and by a formula arithmetically demonstrable. In Havana, and on the canal zone, Gorgas recognized that the germ had neither race nor flag. In New Orleans, fighting yellow fever or the bubonic plague, the same fact was faced. What was the result? They went after the germ wherever it existed, in white or Negro, or "mestizo" quarters, and now these places are far more healthy than the average American municipality.

American citizens pay taxes to fight the germ without flag or race in these latitudes and point to the result with pride. Right under their noses are incubators of disease run in defiance of the laws we elsewhere recognize and for the enforcement of which we pay, and why? For one of two reasons: Pluperfect apathy or pluperfect parsimony. In the hygienic sense, if no other, we are, indeed, "our brother's keeper." We concede that principle or suffer. Until Atlanta, Savannah and every other American city and State recognizes and enforces this formula, the destroyer without race or flag will continue its march unabated."

The Times-Picayune, New Orleans, La., has this to say of segregation at the Nation's Capitol:

"Southerners in the government service are among those especially pleased with the action of the President in rebuking a Negro and practically going on record as favoring segregation in the departments. Many express the hope that this will result in the speedy arrangement of working conditions which will be more agreeable to the white employees."

The correspondent goes on to say that this agitation is a yearly event, and that sooner or later the crisis must be met; but that a liberal use of common sense (?) has staved off the final solution of the problem, and that the general tendency is to defer the "final solution" as long as possible.

He states very glibly that the Negro empolyees are more than anxious to avoid trouble or give possible cause for offense, but deplores the fact that the employees are being egged constantly on by agitators of their own race.

He sems piqued by the fact that many well educated persons of the North (including many whites), ask that no social bar be erected between the races; that no note of color be made in the handling of the employees of the government. It arouses his spleen to think that there are intelligent persons in America who glory in the fact that there are offices where colored men are in charge, and were white women and white men are under their direction and under the direction of subchiefs.

"Very noticeable," he says, "is the reasonableness with which Southerners meet questions where color is a factor. They realize that they can not have their way entirely in any matter that concerns the whole government or country, and they are generally willing to suppress their own feelings and traditions."

In rebuking the North, which the correspondent claims is as anxious for segregation as the South, he could not resist flaunting the eternal "bugaboo" of racial intermarriage, and winds up by saying that: "Ninety per cent. of the objections is so-called 'jimcrowing' of the Negroes is from the outside of the government service. Speaking generally, the Negroes in the departments are willing to work under any regulations that allow them equal comforts. The white employees have no objections to Negroes holding any positions for which they are capable, consequently, if outside agitation could be silenced, there is little doubt that segregation would solve the problem once for all."

The announcement by the News-Item that "plantation Negroes from Louisiana may be taken to Europe to handle the mules at the war front," is responsible for the following effusion in the Times-Picayune from the brain (?) of Robert Bledsoe Mayfield. It reminds one of the old story credited to the lamented Frederick Douglass, who, when asked how he felt when a white man called him "nigger," said: "I feel as if a jackass had kicked at me and missed."

The Old Combination.

(Plantation Negroes from Louisiana may be taken to Europe to handle the mules at the war front.—News Item.

The warring world has found the mule
From "Old Miss" and Missouri,
And now he'll drag the killing tool
Amid the battle's fury;
He'll flap his ears at bugle call
And blink at snap of trigger.
They found the mule, but that's not all,
They've found
Likewise
The nigger!

For what use would the "critter" be
With no black hand to guide him;
With no coon there to "haw" and "gee,"
No "chiny-eye" to ride him?
In war the mule should be immense,
Than horses better, bigger,
Since warring world has shown its sense
And found
Likewise
The nigger!

The mule's bold barytone will sound
Upon the Aisne and Lys;
His snort upon the battle ground
Will rival shrapnel's hiss;
Amid the war steeds' tramp and neigh
He'll cut a mighty "figger;"
The mule in warfare work will pay,
As will
Likewise
The nigger!

—Robert Bledsoe Mayfield.

STAGE NOTES.

Frank (Jap) Reed, interlocutor and melophone player, is well and doing well. Regards to Ralph Redmond and the A. G. Allen Bunch, per address 416 Yazoo Ave., Clarksdale, Miss.

The Pewees are taking a rest at Cincinnati, Ohio, getting new wardrobe and a new line of songs together, will start to work the first of the year.

H. D. Collins, who has many seasons been connected with various colored enterprises, and this season was ahead of the Black Patti Musical Comedy Company under the management of R. Voelckel, closed with that attraction at Memphis, Tenn., owing to differences with the manager, and is considering an offer to organize a minstrel show for a prominent theatrical manager, making headquarters in St. Louis, where the show will rehearse.

NEWS OF ATLANTA, GA.

Manager Black, of the Auditorium Theatre, Atlanta, Ga., was all smiles after the Smart Set's performance. He was well acquainted with the popularity of the company with the Atlanta people, but taking the "business slump" into consideration, he was wholly unprepared for the immense audiences that came to see "His Excellency, The President." The auditorium has a seating capacity of 1,500 persons. Every inch of this space was taken, while many were forced to sit in the aisles or stand against the walls. Manager Black is very anxious for a return date.

Colossal in its proportions, magnificent in its equipment, extravagant in its cost, the Odd Fellows' Temple in Atlanta, Ga., stands a splendid ocular evidence of the thrift, perseverance, tenacity and prosperity of the organization. The building was erected by Negro capital, planned by Negro contractors and built by Negro workmen. It furnishes employment to nearly 400 Negro men and women, and even a progressive and arrogant city like Atlanta may well be proud to have such a beautiful structure within its city limits, though Negroes are responsible for its existence.

In the Gate City Drug Store, Atlanta, Ga., Mr. Amos has one of the finest apothecary shops, disragerding the color of the proprietor, in the South. It will warm the heart cockles of any disciple of Aesculapius to walk into this grand establishment. It also contains a sub-station postoffice and I wish to mention the young lady who officiated during the "day-shift" in this department. I have had business intercourse with clerks in every postoffice in every city of consequence in the South, but never have I observed one who performed the duties enjoined upon them with more promptitude, perspicuity and unction than the young lady employed by Mr. Amos. I feigned ignorance of the money order and registry departments, forcing her to answer many questions and do most the writing, that I might test her patience and good nature, which I found unassailable. In marked contrast was the actions of another clerk, who seemed to take umbrage that people knowing the close proximity of the drug store to the theater, persisted in asking information concerning the Smart Set over the phone and remarked: "These people keep asking about the Smart Set. Who cares about the Smart Set?" The success of any business, where the public must come in contact with the employees, depends as much upon the deportment of said employees as upon the business acumen of the proprietor.

Mrs. Scott Sutton served a delightful dinner to several members of the company. The menu was fit for a king of the most epicurean tastes. Such a bounteous array of appetizing viands were placed upon the table that the success of the evening show was seriously threatened by members of the company overtaxing their stomach capacities. Among those present were J. Homer Tutt, Blanche Thompson Tutt, Goldie Cisco, Will Dixon, Young "Shakespeare" and yours truly.

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STUPENDOUS UNDERTAKING BEING PLANNED BY S. H. DUDLEY.

Famous Comedian Working on Plans for Big Enterprise—Project That Will Cost Thousands of Dollars—Scores of Colored Performers to be Employed.

(By Romeo L. Dougherty.)

Word was sent broadcast last week to the effect that S. H. Dudley, the leading colored comedian in vaudeville and the only one who has managed to keep in close touch with a phase of the amusement situation where it affects the colored performer, had joined hands with J. Leubrie Hill and would essay a leading role in the "Darktown Follies."

I speak for Mr. Dudley when I deny emphatically this rumor and state that the comedian appeared for only one week with the Hill production and only after great influence had been brought to bear by the people most concerned in having the show appear to good advantage in Washington; and Mr. Dudley only entertained in the act that he has been using on the big time, ably assisted by his animal side partner, "Pat," the mule.

Nothing was further from the mind of the promoter of the S. H. Dudley Enterprises when he arrived in Washington after a successful engagement in Philadelphia and Atlantic City, but the Washington public being led into accepting the rumor, he took this phase of the situation into consideration and this helped to influence him in finally making up his mind to strengthen the badly weakened "Follies."

Far from being pessimistic on account of the failure of the American Theater on account of the lack of support given the venture, Mr. Dudley is busy at this very moment drawing up plans for one of the most stupendous tent shows to play through the South that was ever conceived, and from what the writer has seen and a glimpse into the plans disclosed, the undertaking now under way in Washington will call for the employment of scores of colored performers that will necessitate the outlay of thousands of dollars. Mr. Dudley's experience, which covers a period of many years at the head of the once famous "Smart Set" Company and extensive tours in vaudeville, not forgetting his strong right hand upon the pulse of the theatrical world through his well known booking offices, has taught him many things that will benefit him when the time approaches for the launching of this venture which has already assumed gigantic proportions. This new project is not an affair that can be classed among the "mushroom" variety or be referred to as "the ravings of a diseased brain," for the popular comedian has been quietly planning and preparing for the herculean task and next spring or the early summer will see the birth of this new enterprise that will be welcomed not only by the performer now earning a precarious living, but by thousands of the amusement lovers of the race.

S. H. DUDLEY.

For obvious reasons S. H. Dudley will not at this time disclose the identity of the men associated with him, but I can say with positive assurance that a few of the men that have gained name and fame before the footlights within the past fifteen or twenty years will be asked to submit suggestions that will add to the success of the project, and if acceptable, they will be liberally paid for.

RICHARDS & PRINGLES.

(Pearl Moppin.)

The famous Georgias will have a few stands in Washington en route to Canada. Business good in Idaho—only five stands and the boys were "goose-egged." Nobody charged successfully and now they are entrenching for Washington.

General Walter Lee will be on the firing line soon. Slips about exhausted.

Eldridge Collins, our excellent mail agent, is very busy. He handles money by the hundreds almost daily. Good man is Collins.

B. F. Stevens received his new double bell Holten euphonium, costing $135, at Wallace, Idaho. With his new C. G. Corm alto saxaphone, "Little Stevie" has a good long job.

Robert Leach received a gold soprano saxaphone at Colfax, Wash. Robert Miller also received his $145 baritone saxaphone at the same place. Will Israel received his big silver York tuba at Missouli, Montana. The boys and their gold and silver instruments are looking fine. Now let us have some gold and silver tones.

Have our eyes on you, A. G. Allen.

Dr. Wm. La DeAcklen, America's great silvertone basso, is singing Eugene Cowles' "Crossing the Bar" with great success.

All company doing nicely.

Mrs. Carrie Campbell, one of our whist champions, walked up the canyon from Idaho, in plenty of snow, to play a championship game with the boys. They won. Manzie Campbell is doing the hit-and-run stunt.

The company sends regards to all. Watch for the holiday number.

GIBSON'S NEW STANDARD THEATER, PHILADELPHIA.

It is sometimes difficult to amuse an audience, but it was apparent this week to the most indifferent of observers that Lizzie Hart Dorsey and Siren Navarro succeeded in galvanizing everybody who attended. Even the most callous of theater-goers found something to excite them in the speedy songs of Miss Dorsey, and the butterfly dances of Miss Navarro who, with her shapely limbs, caught the bald heads so that they hung on until the last show. Her dancing had enough variety to please the most exacting and as she is pretty, she immediately became a favorite. The three Romans are among the most expert of their countrymen in athletics and gymnastics. They made a hit in their great ladder act with new feats and with some more of the familiar kind. Gerwood & Tyler, with a guitar and banjoine to ai dthem in their efforts to please, carrying their own scenery, had no difficulty in holding attention. Murphy & Walker, with a lot of bright material in the way of dialogue, held up the dignity of the house. Butler & Johnson, who also try the comedy sense of the audience, are a good team and have a pleasing line of entertainment in both singing and dancing. Anyway they catch the audience. Reese Brothers' Ten Afrigander, a well organized group of singers and dancers, gave a repertoire of folklore songs that immediately caught on. Acts of this kind are always received with a great deal of favor at this house. They told jokes and uttered witticisms that put everybody in good humor. Business still continues good.

J. H. GRAY,
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NOTES FROM LEGGETTE'S MINSTRELS.

The two Olivers and their dancing pickaninies joined the Leggette Minstrels at Wrightsville, Ga., where Prentice Oliver took charge of the show as producer and stage manager and is making it one of the best on the road in the carnival business. Walter Boddie is on the sick list and taking a vacation for a couple of weeks. Gus (Buckwheat) Stringer left the show at Wrightsville.

Leslie Troxler and Betty Dailey were quietly married at Vidalia and now have a good sketch, working as Troxler & Troxler. Betty is some songster.

Mrs. Jimmie Oliver takes good wherever she goes. Good performers and swell dressers, both on and off the stage.

Fred Jackson, as endman and dancer, always gets the applause. Some dancer.

Luella Hardin is making a hit with some of the latest songs and can dance a few.

Cora Stringer is so well known that nothing more need be said. Always there for anything in the show business.

Willie Jones is end man and talking comedian and making good.

Prentice Meadows, leader of the orchestra, is still with us and is some musician. The show is composed of twelve people and all are well.

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Christmas wishes to all from all friends. Write.

SHOW FOLKS AGAIN IN LEXINGTON

(By Burden Bros.)

We are convinced now that vaudeville and stock is not a failure in Lexington, Ky. After an unsuccessful experience with some raw vaudeville material, we cut it out and were making good with pictures, only when Gales & Price, comedians, doing the principal comedy on Reeds Troubadours, layed over here going to Lawrenceburg, Ky., on a Sunday and gave us a visit. We offered a proposition and it was accepted. They opened three days later with a vaudeville act, assisted by Margaret Ricks, in a good single and the house was packed to see them. No one was disappointed, and the result is heavy business. They then framed The Gem Repertoire Company of six people and opened here Monday night to capacity business, two shows, keeping the people laughing from start to finish. This company is composed of the following actors: Misses Margaret Ricks, Minnie Williams, "Tony Texas Scott" and Charlie Elexander, who does some good character work and writes the lyrics and the funny folks; Tom Nobby Gales and Clay Price, who are jewels of comedy, who brought out forty-four minutes of solid laughter out of one honor act. This company has become a favorite with our patrons and can expect to remain here as long as they make good. Having witnessed acts of colored comedians from Keith circuit down, there are no two men of color who can find more comedy, and their unassuming quiet manner belies the ability these boys possess, and with good business promised we will play stock and vaudeville as long as the people want it.

WHAT'S WHAT ON THE S. H. DUDLEY CIRCUIT—WEEK OF DECEMBER 14, 1914.

Washington, D. C.—S. H. Dudley Theatre, Lew W. Henry, manager: Martin & Motley Stock Co. Howard Theatre—Andrew J. Thomas, manager: Craerner & Christian, Grundy & Lazzo, Navero & Dorsey. Fairyland Theatre—Brooks & Ross, managers: Collins & Barrett.

Cambridge ,Md.—Green's Opera House, Zel Bledseaux, manager: Hendricks & Lee.

Baltimore, Md.—Lincoln Theatre—M. Flake, manager: Miller Family.

Richmond, Va.—Hippodrome Theatre, W. J. Coulter, manager: Demos Jones Trio, Howard & Mason.

Roanoke, Va.—Boston Theatre, C. L. Andrews, manager: Billy Terry, Ricks & Talbert.

Danville, Va.—Columbia Theatre, W. A. Donlevy, manager: Whitman Sisters Comedy Co.; Dixie Theatre, J. W. Wilson, manager: White & Jordan.

Lynchburg, Va.—Fords Theatre, R. F. Johnson, manager: Stock Company.

Wilson, N. C.—Globe Theatre, H. B. Davis, manager: Bonnie & Semoura.

Philadelphia, Pa.—New Standard Theatre, John T. Gibson, manager; Watts & Willis, Drake Walker Trio.

Pittsburg, Pa.—Star Theatre, Abe Minsky, manager: Langster Bros., Burton & Mack.

Detroit, Mich.—Vaudette Theatre, C. L. Dudley, manager: S. H. Dudley, Brown & Pinkey, Jones & Liston.

Indianapolis, Ind.—Crown Garden Theatre, Tim E. Owsley, manager: Clement Sisters, Glenn & Brogsdale.

Louisville, Ky.—Ruby Theatre, Wilhoit &Collier, managers: Toliver & Chapelle.

Cincinnati, Ohio—Lincoln Theatre, Marion Brooks, manager: Kelly & Davis; Stock.

Memphis, Tenn.—Church Park Theatre, S. T. Beer, manager: Jones & Jones, Thomas & Thomas, Marjorie Lorraine, Gertrude & Smith.

Chicago, Ill.—Grand Theatre: Abyssinian Trio.

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JOE THOMAS SAYS MANDOT AND WHITE CAN LICK WELSH.

Either Way It Goes He Can Say He Has Trained World Champion.

Joe Mandot can lick Freddie Welsh over the twenty-round route for the lightweight championship of the world. And Charlie White can whip either of them. This is the expert opinion of Joe Thomas, the trainer, and he ought to know what he is talking about.

When it comes to working on prominent boxers, Joe is one of the busiest guys in the country. He has trained Cyclone Johnny Thompson, Tony Caponi, Mickey Sheridan, Willie Beecher, Knockout Brown, Joe Mandot, Charlie White and others, and he is now handling Jimmy Murphy, who is to meet Charlie White for ten rounds December 14.

Thomas was at O'Connell's gym for two years and brought out "Ruby" Hirsch, who still is on Johnny Coulon's trail. He was Charlie White's physical expert for the same length of time and he thinks Charles is the greatest lightweight in the world today.

"I believe Welsh is stale and I think Mandot can cop him in a twenty-round battlebattle," said Joe last night during a discussion of the coming championship melee in New Orleans.

"But even if Mandot wins, I think there is one fellow who can not be denied and who undoubtedly will wear the crown some day. That is Charlie White. All things considered—his natural weight, his punch, his noodle and his ring experience—I think White is the king of all the lightweights."

Thomas himself has had an interesting experience in athletics. He is 27 years old. He was born in New York and came to Chicago about five years ago. He was an athlete at the age of 15. As a judge of other athletes he is one of the best in this part of the country. He has established a great reputation for conditioning fighters, and few know better than he when a fighter is in prime shape. Incidentally, he was born and brought up in the same block with Willie Beecher, which probably explains Joe's reluctance to discuss Willie's hog-fat condition in the fight with Gary the other night.

Anyway, Thomas thinks he can soon say he trained the top-notcher of the lightweight division. If either Mandot or White cops, Joe will have reason to crow. And he says it's a cinch that one of the other will take Welsh's measure, for the pace the Welshman has been setting lately is entirely too hot.

FISK WINS FROM MOOREHOUSE, 7 TO 0—NASHVILLE, TENN.

Fisk won from Morehouse College of Atlanta in the Thanksgiving game by the score of 7 to 0, thereby winning the all Southern Colored Football championship. Morehouse was outplayed in every department of the game, only once early in the first quarter being able to advance near their thirty-yard line, where they were held for downs.

One of the largest crowds in the history of the game turned out to witness the contest.

Morehouse had been undefeated so far this season, having won from Talladega, Tuskegee, Atlanta University and Morrisbrown. With a team averaging 175 pounds and exceptionally fast, it was generally conceded that the Fisk team averaging less than 150 pounds, would do well to hold Morehouse to a close score. Few supporters believed that Morehouse would be held scoreless. Fisk brought into the field one of the best football machines in her history. Not only did every man play the game, but they seemed imbued with that wonderful fighting courage, known as the Fisk spirit. There is nothing to be said against Morehouse team, to a man they played to the last whistle, but it was the case of a good team meeting a better one. Morehouse opened the game, kicking off to Fisk, Keen receiving the ball on his own five yard line and by most brilliant open field running, returned the ball to center of the field. The next three plays netted 15 yards where Captain Lewis, standing on the 45-yard line, attempted a field goal, missing it by inches. The ball was then brought out to the 20-yard line from which Morehouse by a series of line plunges and end runs carried the ball to Fisk's 40-yard line, where she was held for downs, thus ending the first quarter.

Starting a series of line smashes varied by an occasional end run, Fisk carried the ball to Morehouse 30-yard line. Here on a delayed triple pass Lewis to Ford to Richey netted 20 yards. On the next play Lewis on a free forward pass made 8 yards with only three yards needed for a touchdown. Lewis sent C. Wesley over center for the necessary distance. The ball was kicked out, Ford making a fair catch and Lewis converted the kickout into a goal, making the score Fisk 7, Morehouse 0. The second half found Morehouse on the defensive for the most part, frequently kicking on the first down. Fisk carried the ball to Morehouse 20-yard line but failed in two attempts at goal. The game ended with the ball on Morehouse 40-yard line.

The teams lined up as follows:

Morehouse.	Positions.	Fisk.
Capt. Brock	Q. B.	Capt. Lewis
Lewis	F. B.	Bright
Jackson	L. H. B.	C. Wesley
McKay	R. H. B.	Ford
Harris	Center	Sexton
Carter	R. G.	Wade
Dickson	L. G.	McVey-Stockman
Ross	R. T.	Suggs
Richardson	L. T.	Smith
Weaver, Ely	R. E.	Richey, Zeigler
Weaver	L. E.	Kean

Officials—Referee, Cameron (Fisk); umpire, Washington (Walden); head lineman, McAllister (Morehouse).

HOWARD BEATS HAMPTON IN THRILLING GAME—WASHINGTON, D. C.

Before one of the largest crowds that has ever attended a game on the University campus, the rejuvenated Howard University football eleven defeated the strong Hampton team by a score of 6-0 in a fiercely contested and brilliantly played game. To every one that saw the game there can be no question over the result. The better team won because it outplayed, outgamed and outgeneraled its opponents during every moment of the game. From the very start of the game the home boys put the visitors on the defensive by their versatile plays and it was only a few moments after the game had started that the college boys had played the visitors off their feet and had registered a touchdown through the most brilliant playing ever seen on the campus.

The Hampton boys played a steady clean game, but they were outplayed more decisively by their lighter opponents than is possible for the score to indicate. There were few chances in the game when the visitors had a look in, and with the exception of a few moments all the playing was done in their territory.

The home boys played as a unit. The back field worked with clock-like precision, while the line never failed to open up a hole when called upon or to break up all the plays directed at it. The charging of the line was superb, and several times the forwards broke through Hampton's line and downed the back in his tracks. All the plays of the home team were fast and well executed. Their selection showed sound judgment. The speed of the backs was a revelation to the on-lookers, and made all the effort of the slow and heavy defense of the visitors look weak and feeble. Hampton's line appeared very weak against this back field in the middle of the gridiron, but it always braced up under the goal and several times took the ball on downs.

The result of the game told another story of a team with open football overcoming a powerful opponent with straight football. Hampton's chief plays were a mass play through center and an off tackle play, and as soon as Howard had mastered these two they were almost helpless. Several forward passes were attempted in open foot ball, and how well she succeeded is best told by the score.

Howard's best play was made through the center on the "E" formation, a formation with nine men on the line. This play seemed to hypnotize the visitors. It never failed to gain five or ten yards and it was on this very play that Grinnage went through center for ten yards and scored the only touch down of the game.

Penderhughes kicked to Hampton's 10-yard line and Hampton returned the pigskin 10 yards. On a series of line plunges by Bender, Flint and Jamerson, Hampton marched 30 yards down the field and then lost the ball on downs. It was Howard's ball in the middlefield and from here Penderhughes, Grinnage and Stratton began their march to the goal. A series of line plunges gave Howard her first down on Hampton forty-five-yard line, and now a beautiful triple forward pass of forty yards was made by Brice, Stratton and Penderhughes. Ths play was a marvel and was easily the feature of the game. Hampton appeared to be disorganized by this play, for now Howard's back field tore through the line for long gains and placed the oval on Hampton's 8-yard line, where it was taken over the goal line by Grinnage in the next play through center. Penderhughes missed goal.

Hampton came back strong after Howard's touchdown, but the home boys, encouraged by their success, played some remarkable defensive football and easily smothered all efforts of their opponents. The game now developed into a kicking duel between Stratford of Howard and Jamerson of Hampton, with Howard gaining at least five yards on every exchange. All the playing was done now in Hampton's territory and when the game was called the visitors were fighting within their 25-yard line.

Summary:

Hampton.		Howard.
Johnson	L. E.	George
Martine	L. T.	Mattnews
Givens	L. G.	Franklin
Stoney	C.	Beamon
Coleman	R. G.	Carter, Capt.
Wildy	R. T.	Randall
Gayle	R. E.	Gilmore
Bender	Q. B.	Brice
Jamerson	L. H. B.	Grinnage
Moore, Capt.	R. H. B.	Stratton
Flint	F. B.	Penderhughes

Touch down, Grinnage. Subs: Waters for Randall, Young for Beamon, McCain for Brice, Brice for McCain, Randall for Franklin. Time of quarters, 15 minutes. Referee, Wilkinson; umpire, Robinson; lineman, Douglass.

VET SLOSSON HAS CHALLENGED WILLIE HOPPE.

George F. Slosson, of New York, former balk-line champion, has challenged Willie Hoppe and posted his forfeit to play for the world's 18.2 title, held by Sir William. The match will be played in New York late in January. Slosson is in his sixty-first year. In the old days it was a tossup as to whether the famous student of Jake Schaefer was the better player. They fought it out for many years, playing in all about forty match games. Each is said to have won twenty times from the other. Slosson deserves credit for offering to tackle the mighty Hoppe. The veteran recently beat the speedy French champion, Cassignol, and this may have increased his desire for one more whirl at the 18.2 crown.

KILL 2,099 LIONS IN CALIFORNIA IN 7 YEARS.

Sacramento, Cal.—Two thousand and ninety-nine mountain lions have been killed in California since 1907, according to a statement by the State Fish and Game Commission. Of this number, 118 have been killed in the State for the six months ending June 30. The State pays a bounty of $20 for each lion killed. The total cost of killing lions has been $41,980.

Humboldt is the banner county for this year and for every year. In the six months ending with June, Mendosino, Trinity and Siskiyou are next in order named. Los Angeles county claimed bounty on fifteen lions in seven years.

FEATHERWEIGHTS AFRAID TO TACKLE KID FIELDS OF INDIANAPOLIS.

Mr. Editor: Dear Sir—I do not wish to say that the boxers of any class are afraid of me, but it does seem that they don't care for my game. When I started out as a boxer I did not even ask who the boy was or how big he was. I boxed several of them before I received a cent for my service, and I won all of them via the K. O. route. It was a long time before I found out I was worth money to a club. Just box any one to show my class. I always thought I could beat any one I could hit, and I always managed to hit them sometime before the limit, and it is the same way yet. I have tried to box every boy in the country and they have refused to meet me. Now I see where Mr. Peter James, of Montery, Ala., has a few boys of all size. If such is the case, I will box any man in the world between 126 and 130 pounds. I can be addressed at 212 South Illinois street, Indianapolis, Ind. I will box anyone for the colored featherweight championship of the world.

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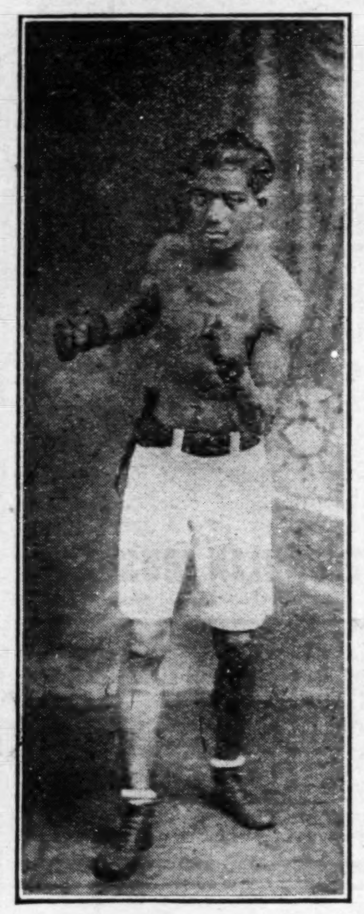

YOUNG LEO.

BASEBALL KILLS 35.

Nine Hundred and Eighteen Injured on Diamond in Season of 1914.

Chicago.—Thirty-five deaths and 918 injuries were caused by baseball during 1914, according to figures made public today by a sport writer, who kept a tabulation of the season's records. Of the players who died from injuries twenty were hit by pitched balls, five were struck by bats, four were in collisions, four overexerted themselves, one was hurt sliding to a base and one was killed in a fight. Injuries to amateur players are classified as follows:

Broken limbs, 314; concussion of brain, 18; fractured skulls, 13; paralysis, 4; sprains, 37; spiked, 26; fractures, 17; dislocations, 7; torn ligaments, 10.

Players hurt in the minor leagues number 116. American League sixty-nine; National League, sixty-one; Federal League, fifty-six; college teams, 8.

EDDIE PLANK JUMPS TO THE FEDS—NOTE FOR HIS CONTINUOUS SERVICE.

What is perhaps the longest record for continuous active service with one club in the history of baseball was broken a few days ago when Eddie Plank, Athletics veteran and hero of several world's series contests, took his expected leap to the Federal League. Harry Goldman, of the Baltimore Federals, obtained Plank's signature to a new league contract after a visit to the pitcher's home at Gettysburg, Pa. Plank, it is announced, will pitch for the St. Louis club, since that organization has fallen down, apparently, in its efforts to obtain Walter Johnson. Plank was a pitcher for the Athletics for thirteen years, his first notable work being in the world's series of 1905. Since that time he has been considered the one best bet on the Athletic staff. Plank's record is all the more remarkable because of the fact that he is a left-hander. And another feature in connection with Plank's jump is the fact that Connie Mack took occasion to say that the veteran is still a great pitcher and that he wished him well—that's Connie Mack.

WAR AND SPORTS CAUSE AGITATION IN OLD LONDON.

London, December 3.—The warfare between those who want professional football continued during wartime and those who think that the players and employes of the football clubs ought to be at the front, goes on merrily, with the poet laureate as the latest contributor to the discussion.

The chief argument of those who oppose the discontinuance of the games, which draw every Saturday even larger crowds than the American baseball world's series contests, is that the loss of the millions of dollars which the football "magnates" pay out for salaries and other expenses would be a crushing economic blow to a large class. The sporting editor of the Daily News, for instance, says:

"I contend that football is an absolute necessity to the community. Stop it and you will drive the men who are making guns, ammunition, uniforms, boots, etc., into wildnerness of the drink shops on Saturday afternoon. * * * The men who are fighting and will fight later on, or who are doing the nation's urgent work at home, have selected professional football as their mode of weekly relief from the worries of their labor."

The other side of the argument is presented in an open letter from Dr. Robert Bridges, the poet laureate. He says:

"I voice the feeling of the country in declaring that it is high time professional football should be discontinued.

"The sightseeing crowds are not so much to blame, I hope, as they appear to be; I take it they are ignorantly misled by the small body of men who cater to them.

"The whole nation is mourning for those falling in defense and I would suggest that the heroic death of Lord Roberts is such an occasion as may well serve these football managers as a motive for fixing the term for the cessation of their public entertainments.

"Our enemies calculated on finding the mass of our people apathetic. If any class is showing itself so they are traitors and more dangerous than the Germans themselves. It is high time that our footballers let the world see what they are really made of."

As showing the extent to which football still holds the attention of a large public, last Saturday there were 4,700 matches played in the British Isles, not including boys' matches. It follows that over 140,000 men of the right sort for recruiting were kicking a football about over here, while their more patriotic comrades were being heavily shelled in Flanders.

CHANCE FOR TITLE IS KNOCKED OUT BY LAW.

New York, December 3.—The only reason Young Joe Shugrue, of Jersey City, isn't hailed as world's lightweight champion today is that the New York boxing law prohibits decisions. If decisions had been permitted last night Shugrue would have been officially declared the winner over lightweight champion Freddie Welsh.

In nine of the ten rounds fought at Madison Square Garden, Shugrue was the aggressor and well in the lead. There is wide difference of opinion among sporting experts today whether the other round was Welsh's or merely a draw. In that round Welsh landed more often, but the wallops Shugrue sent home had more steam.

Four of six New York papers today declare Shugrue won by a large margin. The other two give the Jersey City fighter a "shade" the better of the bout.

Welsh constantly appeared to be saving his right hand, which led to the belief that he hurt, which led to he and his manager will admit during his scrap with Yelle last week. He was decidedly not in the same shape as when he fought Ad Wolgast here. Shugrue, on the other hand, was in great condition, and apparently unmindful of the few blows which Welsh managed to land with full force. Undoubtedly the title holder greatly underestimated Shugrue and paid the usual penalty.

WHITE SHOWS GRAND FORM.

Chicago Lightweight Wins Clean-Cut Decision over Callahan.

St. Louis, Mo.—Charley White, of Chicago, aspirant to the lightweight title, won a clean-cut victory over Frankie Callahan, of Brooklyn, December 4 in one of the best fights seen in St. Louis in years. Callahan carried the fighting to the Chicago boy and thereby lost all chance he might have had for a victory. White was too clever for the Easterner in the infighting.

Though not a round went to Callahan he was game throughout the fight. With blood streaming from his nose and lips he appeared to be all but out in the fifth. The sixth and seventh looked like a knockout and the crowd was yelling for the Chicagoan to put his man away. Callahan protected himself through, however, until the eighth.

MILTON HENRY, THE FAMOUS JOCKEY, BACK FROM EUROPE.

Milton Henry, the famous jockey, has just returned from a trip to France and England. Milton says that the Germans didn't have time to do much damage to his place at Chantilly. Paris is a live town until 9:00 p. m., when all lights go out and all cafes and public places are closed. London closes down at sunset, no lights being allowed in the streets or in the houses. He says that England will soon have conscription, as the government is completing a census of all male citizens of military age.

Henry, like Garner and Kennedy, who were with him, thinks there will be no racing in Europe for two or three years, even if the war ends soon, because there'll be no money for sport. A number of the best French jockeys have been killed.

SHORTSTOP IS HARDEST POSITION.

Sherwood Magee, who has played every position except pitcher, was recently asked what position on the diamond he regarded as hardest to play. He did not hesitate an instant, but replied, "Shortstop." When asked to explain further he said:

"The shortstop is moving every minute of the game unless the pitcher is striking them all out. The shortstopper has the longest throw to make and he has to make it in a hurry and from any old position. Say there's a man on first base; it's the shortstop who has to prepare to cover in case a steal is attempted. Suppose the runner is on second; the shortstop has to keep hustling over to force the opponent to hug the bag. In fact, he has to go over to take nearly all the throws at the middle cushion.

"The good shortstop is supposed to cover a world of ground. If it's a hard hit ball to the left field side of the third baseman the shortstop is supposed to get it. If it's a hot one over the second the fans expect the shortstop to dig it up. If it's a slow roller to the right side of the pitcher or a ball that hops over the hurler's head the old reliable at the shortstop position is the man who must be on the job. Sometimes he'll be on one ear, again he'll be twisted into a shape that would make a contortionist envious, but he always is expected to make a good heave to first and get the runner, or, if it's a forced play, he probably has to toss to second, though he is facing dead away from that bag. And all the time, you understand, he has the longer throw and consequently has less time to pick up the ball and set himself than any other infielder.

"Remember, too, that the shortstop is expected to run into the outfield and get fly balls which are too far in for the left and center gardeners. He frequently has to catch them with his back toward the diamond, but he's expected to get them all."

WHAT'S DOING IN SPORT.

Football practice by arc light at night was the rule at Johns Hopkins University this fall. The squad was ordered to report at Homewood Field, their athletic grounds near Baltimore, in the evening. The light was furnished by 18 arc lights, supplemented by two acetylene reflectors. The arcs were strung around the field, while the reflectors were stationed at the ends. The arrangements gave very fine light.

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Jack Dillon, of Indianapolis, has contracted for four fights within fifteen days, and will accept any others that are offered him. The first bout will be with the Zulu Kid, a big bruiser, at the Broadway A. C. in New York, on December 19. Two days later he will go on with Young Ahearn in Philadelphia. On Christmas day Dillon will fight Jim Savage, a heavyweight, in New York, and on January 4 he has contracted to meet Mike Gibbons, the St. Paul phenom, at Philadelphia.

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All Baltimore fans are celebrating over the announcement that Albert (Chief) Bender, world series hero, for many years with the Philadelphia Athletics, but who is now lined up under the banner of the Federal League, will play next season as a member of the Terrapins. Bender is expected to round out Knabe's team and make it a pennant contender. The big Indian has worn an Aethletic uniform for so long a time that patrons of the game may find it hard to recognize him in his new surroundings.

DAN MORGAN ON WILLARD.

Jess Willard to fight Jack Johnson? It sounds like a joke, after Gunboat Smith outpointing him in twenty rounds and Bearcat McMahon whipping him easily in twelve rounds at Youngstown, O., a short time ago. Battling Levinsky has been trying to get Willard into a ring with him for the last year, but up to date Big Jess refuses to box the battler. Levinsky has whipped every heavyweight, including Gunboat Smith and Bearcat McMahon, and stands ready to box Jess Willard under any conditions. Levinsky thinks Willard is like a wooden Indian that can not box and is so slow that he is in his own way. Now, if the lemon promoters of Jess Willard will sign him up with Levinsky, the public will not be bothered with any more press stuff regarding Willard and Johnson, since Levinsky will whip him without any trouble and convince the sporting public that Big Jess is a huge joke.

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LOCAL.

The Monday Study Club gave its Christmas luncheon Monday with Mrs. L. C. Davis.

Mr. Erastus Jones will spend the winter with his son-in-law, Delbert Keaton, of Norwood.

Mrs. Rufus Kuykendall entertained the Azalia Club last week at her home in West Tenth street.

The Independent Social Club met Tuesday with Mrs. Lenore Harden, 2433 North Delaware street.

The Friends Club was the guest of Mrs. William Lee, in Minerva street, at its regular meeting last week.

Art Ladies' Federal Club met Friday with Mrs. Robert Hammond. Mrs. Clarence A. Shelby was the reader.

Mrs. Edith W. Lee of Columbus, O., was the guest of Mrs. William Goodman for a short visit last week.

A committee from the chamber of commerce visited the Lincoln and Sisters of Charity hospitals last week.

Miss Dorothy Campbell, of Wilberforce University, will spend the holidays with her mother, on West Eleventh street.

At the Century Club Tuesday evening, when a guest meeting was held, Dr. William E. George read of "Latent Talents."

Floyd Fisher, formerly of this city, now of Pittsburgh, was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Berne Fisher, in West Tenth street.

Miss Lettie A. Todd and her sister, Mrs. Anna T. Oneal, of Frankfort, Ky., will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Dent during the holidays.

The next regular meeting of the Old Settlers Club will be held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Simms, 1321 Capitol avenue, January 12, 1915, at 8 o'clock.

Mme. William H. Brice, one of the leading hair culturists, formerly of this city but now of Boston, is here on a short stay attending to business and visiting friends.

The Dandelion Embroidery Club met this week with Mrs. Ethel Hardy, 807 Athon street. The next will be on Wednesday, December 23rd, with Mrs. Smith, on Oxford street.

Miss Dogan, daughter of Dr. Dogan, president of Willey university, will be the guest of Mrs. Harriet Kelley during the holidays. Miss Dogan is a student of the Oberlin conservatory of music.

Mr. Robert V. Jefferson, of Battle Creek, Mich., was in the city last week and was a caller at The Freeman office. Mr. Jefferson is a professional trained nurse at the Battle Creek Sanitarium.

The Glazier jubilee singers will appear in this city Monday evening, December 28, under the auspices of the Mite Missionary Society of the Second Baptist church and the Athenaeum Literary Society.

All persons interested in the movement to organize a Y. W. C. A. in this city are urged to attend the Sunday afternoon Bible meetings which are being held in Mrs. C. J. Walker's assembly hall at 3 o'clock each Sunday afternoon.

The Old Settlers Social Club will keep open house New Years day at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. V. Hill, 1619 Martindale avenue. Hours, from 1 to 6 p. m. All old settlers are invited to be present. A musical program will be given.

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Mrs. Demarchus C. Brown will be the speaker for the fourth of the series of educational meetings conducted under the auspices of the educational department of the Woman's Council, of which Mrs. Lillian Jones Brown is the president, having for her theme, "The Christmas Spirit." The meeting will be held in the educational rooms of the colored Y. M. C. A. building, Monday afternoon, December 21.

WELL KNOWN POLICEMAN DEAD.

George Helms Had Been Confined to Home for Six Months.

George Helms, colored, a member of the police department, died at his home, 702 West Twelfth street, Tuesday night. Helms had been confined to his home for more than six months. He was formerly a merchant policeman in Norwood. He is survived by his widow.

ST. PAUL'S TEMPLE, A. M. E.

There will be a Christmas bazar at St. Paul's Temple commencing December 21 and lasting all week. Many beautiful articles for children and older people will be on sale.

SPIRITUALIST CHURCHES.

At Madam Meadow's Spiritualist church, on Fulton street, she gave 51 messages last Monday night. She explains everything so thoroughly. She makes everyone welcome and her meetings are held from 8:30 till 10:30 each Monday night.

BAUGHMAN-CHILDS WEDDING RECEPTION.

Cards are out announcing the wedding reception of Rosa Belle, the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Creed Winston Childs, of Washington, D. C., and Mr. Charles Henry Baughman of Indianapolis, who will be united in marriage in Washington, D. C., Tuesday, December 29, at the home of the bride, 1911 L street northwest.

A. M. E. ZION CHURCH,

North and Blackford Streets.

The pastor will conclude his sermon to the deaconesses Sunday morning. There will be a general rehearsal for "David the Shepard Boy" at 3 o'clock, Sunday, by order of Mr. Rapliff.

The pastor will speak again Sunday evening.

On Tuesday and Wednesday evenings there will be two passion plays, "The Prodigal Son" and "Joseph and His Brethren," respectively.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The B Quick Club had election of officers last Monday evening:

Mrs. Rettie Able, president.
Mrs. Charley Brown, vice-president
Mrs. Cathern Medlson, treasurer.
Mrs. Crawford, chaplain.
Mrs. Clay, chairman sick committee.
Mr. Grundy, journalist.
Mrs. Neice, secretary.
Mr. Wiggins, assitant secretary.

The B Quick Club will meet Monday evening at 1132 North Senate avenue, at the residence of Mr. Hickins, and the public are cordially invited.

WILL YOU HELP IN THE FIGHT AGAINST TUBERCULOSIS?—MME. ADA VAN SPENCE MURPHY WILL SING.

The Woman's Council will present Mme. Ada Van Spence Murphy, soprano soloist of Bloomington, Ind., in recital Wednesday evening, December 30, at Witherspoon U. P. church for the benefit of the Woman's Improvement Club's work against tuberculosis among colored people.

This organization is greatly in need of money to aid unfortunate persons afflicted with this terrible disease. Almost every day there are appeals for help from all parts of the city, and the earnest women having this work in charge have found it impossible to respond to all calls because of a shortage of funds. Therefore the Woman's Council, an organization existing for the purpose of furthering worthy civic institutions, takes this means of showing its appreciation of the efforts of the Improvement Club by making a contribution to their work and at the same time presenting Mme. Murphy, a talented soloist, in recital.

An effort is being made to interest all organizations in the recital and reservations of seats may be secured by calling Mrs. W. E. Brown, president of the council, phone 5575; Mrs. A. C. Simms, president of the Improvement Club, 2820-R, or Mrs. Harriet C. Kelley, Main 3665.

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7:3)0. Holy communion.
11:30. Holy communion, morning prayer and sermon.
3:00. Sunday school.
8:00. Evening song and sermon.

At 4 o'clock in the afternoon the first anniversary in honor of the vicar will be celebrated at the church. A grand time is expected. All the colored ministers with their congregations will be present. A special program of music, speeches and prayers will be the order of the occasion. Such leaders of men and movements as Drs. Roberts, Herod, Rowan, Brice, Prince, Weaver, Clark, Mr. Valentine and others will speak. Dr. Kakaza will lead in the music. Come one and all.

On Wednesday evening, December 23, two evenings before Xmas, at 7 o'clock, the Sunday school will have its Xmas party, to attend which the parents and public in general are most cordially invited. A great musical and literary and religious treat is in store for all who are farseeing enough not to miss this entertainment. Come one and all and taste again the joys of childhood by appreciating the children's efforts. To all our services and ministrations the public of the community are most cordially welcome at all times. Xmas services will begin at 10 in the morning.

MR. GEORGE G. SIMMONS, FOREMAN OF THE FREEMAN COMPOSING ROOM, ENTERTAINS.

Mr. George G. Simmons, the well-known compositor of The Freeman, entertained a few of his friends at his home, 1228 East Sixteenth street, Sunday, December 13. Mr. Simmons has recently fitted up his suite of four rooms in fine style. He wished to have his friends enjoy the comforts of his apartments, hence the little gathering that met him there last Sunday.

Those present were, Mr. and Mrs. Elwood C. Knox, Mr. and Mrs. R. Byron Shelton, Misses Mabel Smith and Lenina Smith, Messrs. Wm. M. Lewis and Horatio Maat, Mesdames Lulu Craig and Alice Harvey.

After delightful diversions the company sat down at the table, where they were served with roast goose, oyster patties, spaghetti with cheese, sweet potatoes (candied), white potatoes, celery, young onions, radishes lettuce salad, crab apple jelly and pickles, Messelrode pudding, chocolate and cocoanut cake, black coffee, cigars, champagne, Holland gin, port wine, Blue Ribbon.

By all, Mr. Simmons was voted a most genial host. His table and sideboard groaned 'neath the good things. Nothing was too good for his guests. It was a most sumptuous spread. In fact, he kept open house the whole day through. It was plain that his motto was "eat, drink and be merry—morning, noon and night."

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

Rev. J. H. Holder delivered a very strong address to the men of the monster meeting last Sunday on the subject, "Wisdom's Call." A large membership was in attendance, in spite of the inclemency of the weather, and enjoyed the treat. Sunday, December 20, at 3 p. m., Prof. Chas. Ellenderwood, Ph. D, of Butler College, a brilliant speaker and platform orator, will address the monster meeting on the subject, "A King or a Thief." Mr. Fred Clay and Mr Ernest Kirk will furnish the special numbers for the occasion. Rev. Geo. W. Gore will be the speaker at the boy's big meeting and will use as a subject, "Saul of Tarsus." Miss Marian Shelton will render a soprano solo. The boys' band will appear in thirty minutes' sacred concert preceding the speaking.

Many men are taking advantage of the unusual Christmas offer in the way of membership. In order to increase the present membership and at the same time be in keeping with the spirit of the season, the association has provided whereby any man who will pay into the association $1 before December 25th, and the remaining $4 before the 31st of January, 1915, such a one will receive full membership privileges until January 31st, 1916. A casual glance at this proposition is sufficient to convince one of the genuine generosity of the management in presenting this offer.

The Boy's Friend Club of the association has decided to have on Monday, Dec. 28, a Christmas tree in the boys' department at which time it is hoped that the entire junior membership will be brought together.

The indoor baseball season opened Monday evening with a game between the Seniors and the "All Stars," in which the former were the victors by the score of 17 to 6. The same teams will play again Monday, December 21st.

The "gym" men enjoyed the interesting and instructive lecture delivered by W. W. Stewart, Tuesday evening, on, "That Old Decayed Tooth." Tuesday evening, December 22, the fourth of the health talk series will be delivered by Dr. E. F. Stokes, the oculest, on "The Care of the Eyes."

The Basket Ball Church League opened Wednesday evening, December 16, with a game between two teams representing St. Phillip's Episcopal and Bethel A. M. E. churches. Other churches represented in the league are, Allen Chapel, Witherspoon Presbyterian, Second Christian and Simpson's chapel. The teams will play Wednesday and Friday of each week.

The annual basket ball game between teams representing Manual and Shortridge high schools and composed of present and ex-members of the respective schools, will be played Saturday evening, December 26th, at 8:30 p. m. A curtain raiser between two teams from the junior department will precede the main event.

New Year's day will be "open house" in the association and a program commencing at 10 a. m. and continuing throughout the day and evening with a concert in the evening will be offered. The afternoon offering will be in the nature of gymnastic and athletic contests and also swimming exhibitions. An especial invitation is offered to the membership and their families.

The Y. M. C. A. Cafe, under the efficient management of Dr. E. N. Perkins, is proving an unqualified success.

300 COLORED CHILDREN TO GIVE ENTERTAINMENT.

Plan to Raise Money for Flanner House Broadens—Ministers are Interested.

The movement among the colored people to raise money to pay for the playground recently bought by the Flanner house has served to increase interest in the work among both white and colored. The effort will culminate in the children's hour entertainment, which will be given at Tomlinson's hall, Saturday afternoon, December 26, in which 300 children from all the colored kindergartens in the city, and from six of the public schools, will participate in addition to a large number from the boys' department of the Y. M. C. A. and other young people's organizations.

The movement is headed by Miss Frances Berry, of the city public school, assisted by a number of persons who are interested in the work of the Flanner house. Some time ago the needs of the work were presented at a meeting of the Elizabeth Carter council of Federated Colored Clubs, of which Mrs. Carrie Crump is president, and a motion prevailed to divide the support of the federation between the Flanner house and the Alpha home this year. At the next meeting of the organization some definite action will be taken in this direction. Several individual clubs have volunteered assistance, among them being the Woman's Council, the largest club in the city.

Indorsed by Ministers.

A few weeks ago the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance, composed of the colored pastors, passed resolutions indorsing the Flanner house, the individual ministers promising to take action in their churches with reference to giving support to the movement. The Rev. P. T. Gorham, pastor of Simpson Chapel M. E. church, took a public offering for the Flanner house last Sunday. The Rev. D. P. Roberts, pastor of Bethel church, and the Rev. G. W. Ward, pastor of Mt. Zion, the largest Baptist church in the city, will ask for contributions from their congregations next Sunday. It is expected that several of the churches will join in this effort before the time set for making the annual report.

The needs of a playground for the Flanner house neighborhood was discussed before the Colored Waiters' Association at its meeting Monday afternoon at the colored Y. M. C. A. Fred Robinson, president of the association, made a short talk in which he highly recommended the effort and assured the representatives of the Flanner house that the organization would give its heartiest support. His talk was followed by a motion indorsing the movement. Several of the largest business establishments in the city employing colored men have bought tickets for the Christmas entertainment for all their employes and have requested their men to attend. Several managers of colored enterprises readily consented to ask the employes to buy one ticket each.

One-Dollar Campaign.

One of the most hopeful indications of interest among the colored people was the liberal contributions last week from many of the most successful colored people in the city. H. J. Derthick, superintendent of the Flanner house, is sending out letters to a number of salaried and professional colored people, asking that they join the $1 campaign and it is expected that many will respond before January 15, at which time he expects to complete the records for an annual report, which will have a "Contributors' List" containing the names of all persons who have given $1 or more this year.

Recently Mrs. Mary H. Flanner gave a benefit entertainment at the Second Christian church to provide free tickets to the children's hour, December 26, for children whose parents are not able to buy tickets. In this way tickets have been given to more than 200 children. Miss Carolyn V. Barnes, who managed Mrs. Flanner's entertainment, and who has charge of the distribution of the tickets, wishes names of families where tickets are desired.

A movement is on foot among the white people interested in the work of the Christian women's board of missions, which is in charge of the Flanner house, to give a benefit entertainment in Irvington before January 10, which shall be a part of the central movement. The program for this affair will be given by local colored talent.

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